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ADVISORY COUNCIL RULE SUGGESTION REVIEW: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS / DEER

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/SEASONS/MUZZLELOADER

From:

McCammon [mlogging13@peoplepc.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 10:12 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brian

Last Name

McCammon

County

Sullivan

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

shorten the muzzleloader season it is too long.

FIELDS NOT DEFINED IN THE TEMPLATE FOLLOW

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From:

SCHWING [SCHWINGS@EMBARQMAIL.COM]

Sent:

Saturday, January 24, 2009 12:30 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name SCOTT

Last Name SCHWING

County OHIO

State of Residence TN

Suggestions

WHY NOT ALLOW AN EARLY FIREARMS OR A MUZZLELOADER WEEKEND OR TWO, TOALLOW HUNTERS TO TAKE ADDITIONAL DOES EXPECIALLY IN SOUTHERN INDIANA? I HAVE SHOT 6-7 DOES EACH SEASON FOR THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS AND GIVENTHE MEAT TO SOMEONE WHO NEEDS IT.

THE POPULATION SEEMS TO JUST KEEP REBOUNDING.

I HAVE JUST RECENTLY HIT MY 6TH DEER WITH ONE OF OUR CARS FOR ANUNDETERMINED AMOUNT OF DAMAGE AND COST. THIS IS CRAZY NOT TO ALLOWHUNTERS TO USE ANY MEANS TO TAKE THE ADDITIONAL DOES WITH ANY LEGALFIREARM, RIFLE, BOW OR CROSSBOW:

THIS WILL ENCOURAGE HUNTERS TO SHOOT ADDITIONAL DOES WHEN IT ISWARMER, NOT IN THE RUT AND NICER WEATHER.

NO ONE (AT LEAST MY FRIENDS) WANTS TO SHOOT DOES IN SHOTGUN SEASONBECAUSE THEY THINK YOU MIGHT RUIN YOUR CHANCE AT A BUCK.

IF IT COMES DOWN TO PRINTING LICENSE AND THE STATE DOES NOT WANT TOISSUE MORE TAGS, LET THE LIFETIME HUNTERS HAVE A CHANCE TO REDUCE THEDOE POPULATION WITH ANY LEGAL FIREARM. WE ARE THE DEDICATED HUNTERS ININDIANA.

From:

Rice [in2sc-golf@hotmail.com]

Sent:

Friday, February 06, 2009 1:57 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Donald

Last Name

Rice

Email

in2sc-golf@hotmail.com

County

McCormick

State of Residence

SC

Suggestions

I sent a similar email out in 2006 (I think) which I was hopeful would be talked about in 07 and maybe implemented in 08. Since it hasnall theen, I figure it cannot hurt to try again.

By reading the Indiana hunting regulations in the 2008-2009 IndianaHunting & Trapping Guide, my interpretation of the number of deer that could be harvested by a single hunter, leads me to believe that Indiana still has an overpopulation of deer. I believe that myproposal could be somewhat helpful in that regards, but even more soit could help reduce the carbon foot prints left by people hunting inIndiana.

As it has been since I first started hunting deer in Indiana, for areason that most likely made since when Indianaâlls deer herd was much smaller, the deer get a vacation from hunters from the Sunday after Thanksgiving until the following Saturday.

I and possibly others would/might have stayed in the field ifPrimitive Weapons Season had come in on Monday, December 1st instead of Saturday December 6th. This year I would have stayed hoping to see deer (I did not see one in 1-1/2 weeks) and possibly harvesting atleast one deer. Most years it would be to hopefully harvest a seconddeer. Had I remained I would have continued to spend money at various Indiana businesses.

I can not stay for five days of no hunting, spending money, waitingfor the next season to come in. Nor will I make the 9+ hour drive backto Indiana (SC to French Lick) five days later. That would increase mycarbon footprint way to much. Even after I retired in 2001 and stilllived in Indiana, I didnâllt like having to drive 2-1/2 hours

eachdirection (Indianapolis to French Lick) for a five day waitingperiod.

Thanks for taking the time to read the ramblings of a relocatedex-Indiana teacher and hunter. I continue to have a deer camp insouthern Indiana and hopefully will have the health to hunt many moreyears in Indiana with my friends. Every year the drive gets a littletougher to make and since it is so long, I no longer can make it upfor all the Indiana deer seasons. I used to hunt them all. Now I haveto make do with just Gun Season. I canâllt remember the last time Ihunted with my bow or my muzzleloader, but it was most likelypre-2004.

Don R Rice

McCormick, SC

in2sc_slv@wctel.net

From:

Wilson [BEAGLEHUNTER1@netzero.com]

Sent:

Saturday, January 31, 2009 12:26 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Robert

Last Name

Wilson

Email

BEAGLEHUNTER1@netzero.com

County

LaPorte

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Keeping In. deer in control is a big thing these days. Yet keeping agood healthy population. I'd like to see muzzle loader season go to the end of December. This would give hunters the time to fill their licenses, with the time most get off for the holiday season. Mostkills would be does. Muzzle loading is a great way to hunt just likearchery and its getting more popular.

From:

Kemp [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Monday, January 26, 2009 11:02 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Tracy

Last Name Kemp

County Hendricks

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Please allow us to continue muzzleloader season later than our existing. Either through end of December, or through mid January would help to controlour doe population.

From:

Carter [brendacarter@insightbb.com] Tuesday, February 10, 2009 8:13 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Larry

Last Name

Carter

Email

brendacarter@insightbb.com

County

Floyd

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Change muzzleloader season to correspond with late archary season.

From:

Newman [rjnewman@hughes.net]

Sent: To: Monday, January 19, 2009 10:17 AM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

blank

First Name

Rich

Last Name

Newman

County

Bartholomew

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

This suggestion is for a change in the Indiana firearms and muuzzleloader season dates. I would like to see the amount of gun huntingreduced to half of what it is now by starting a 7 day firearms seasonafter thanksgiving and a 7 day muzzleloader the second week ofdecember. I beleive these changes to season dates would be better forthe deer herd as a whole and increase hunter opportunties.

From:

Van Hoff [briguyjoe@msn.com]

Sent:

Sunday, February 08, 2009 1:22 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

Brian

Last Name

Van Hoff

Email

briguyjoe@msn.com

County

Clark

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

To Indiana Natural Resoures Commission. My comment as part of acomprehensive review and enhancement of wildlife rules. Is have oneweekend in October where hunters could use muzzleloaders to harvestdeer. This would be a good idea to reduce the deer herd and generater evenue for the state and local economy.

From:

Nissley [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Friday, January 23, 2009 10:14 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Rodney

Last Name Nissley

County Whitley

State of Residence ΙN

Suggestions

I would be in favor of an early muzzleloader season (prior to the rut) to give muzzleloader hunters a chance to hunt when it is above 20degrees!

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/SEASONS/EXTEND ARCHERY

From:

Fairchild [Fairchild522@bcremc.net]

Sent:

Friday, March 13, 2009 2:12 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Tracy

Last Name

Fairchild

Email

Fairchild522@bcremc.net

County

bartholomew

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Extend the late archery season by two weeks at the end of the season to allow more opportunity for people on school schedules and holidaybreaks.

From:

Andrews [sjamea@rtccom.net]

Sent:

Tuesday, January 27, 2009 7:45 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name Steven

Last Name Andrews

County Lawrence

State of Residence

Suggestions

Please consider extending deer archery season through January. Thiswould provide additional opportunity without a large impact on totalharvest.

From:

Johnson [deerhunter2_2002@yahoo.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 10:53 AM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Richard

Last Name

Johnson

Email

deerhunter2_2002@yahoo.com

County

Warren

State of Residence

OH

Suggestions

1 Have bow season untill the end of Jaunary. 2. Have shorter gun and muzzleloader season shorter. 3. It would be nice to buy a deer tag of either sex and hunt all season on the one tag, at 150.00 per tag itgets expensive.

From:

Isaacs [dennykaren2000@yahoo.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 7:19 AM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Dennis

Last Name

Isaacs

Email

dennykaren2000@yahoo.com

County

Bartholomew

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Letâlls make early archery season open on September first or at leaston September 15. We could open the youth hunt the weekend before.

From: Sent:

Isaacs [dennykaren2000@yahoo.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 7:17 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Dennis

Last Name

Isaacs

Email

dennykaren2000@yahoo.com

County

Bartholomew

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Letalls make early archery season open on September first or at leaston September 15. We could open the youth hunt the weekend before.

From:

Roudebush [hdr494@smithville.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 28, 2009 10:22 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals blank

First Name Devon

Last Name Roudebush

County Greene

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Three of our neighboring states, Kentucky, Illinois, and Ohio, supportanchery seasons that close later than ours do. Kentucky and Ohio alsoopen earlier than we do. According to a 11/18/2008 AP story deervehicle accidents in Indiana are up 25 percent since 2003, the11th highest in the nation(http://www.theheraldbulletin.com/statenews/local_story_323100140.html).

Recommendextending archery season later into January, or as late as February 1.

From:

Gronkiewicz [gronk@netnitco.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:09 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mark

Last Name Gronkiewicz

Email

gronk@netnitco.net

County

Jasper

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to suggest extending the late archery/crossbow deerseason later into January. While hunting pressure falls off towardthe end of the existing season, those of us who like that part of season have a far greater success rate...especially with does. The deer are much easier to hunt since they pattern easier. Also, it would allow those who want to hunt the late season but can't because of the holidays the opportunity to extend their season. There would probably be more interest too because there are less other seasons to conflict with the later deer season.

From:

Horn [joseph.horn@ge.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:32 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Joseph

Last Name

Horn

County

Ohio

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I have requested this change before so I will go ahead and try itagain. With the increasing whitetail deer herd, please considerextending the late bow season throughout the entire month of Januaryto give Bowhunters additional opportunities to harvest the Deer and contribute to the effort to manage the herd. This assumes the StateBiologists agree this would not be detrimental to the herd. If this is not possible please consider targeting certain regions or counties for an extended late bow season. Some of our bordering states have abow season extending to January 31.

From:

Hottell [shottell@msdsc.org]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 14, 2009 12:29 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Scott

Last Name

Hottell

Email

shottell@msdsc.org

County

Steuben

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I suggest that Due to the very healthy deer population that the latearchery season be extended two weeks into Januarry.

Thank you

From:

Hottell [shottell@msdsc.org]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 14, 2009 12:22 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Scott

Last Name

Hottell

Email

shottell@msdsc.org

County

Steuben

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I suggest that Due to the very healthy deer population that the latearchery season be extended two weeks into Januarry.

Thank you

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/SEASONS/MOVE FIREARMS OUT OF THE RUT

From: Sent:

McEowen [gusmc01@gmail.com] Friday, January 23, 2009 1:19 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Travis

Last Name

McEowen

County

Whitley

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

In an effort to not have so many 1.5 year old "rut crazed" buckskilled each year, consider moving firearms season out of the primaryrut and/or possibly shortening it. This should help the age structureof bucks in the herd. Perhaps using Illinois or Iowa as a model wherethe season is split into two 3 or 4 day weekends. Both could followthe primary rut (early December) or one period could be pre-rut and the other post-rut. Under this scenario, the archery seasons couldremain unchanged and muzzleloader season simply moved back a week ortwo.

From:

fisher [aaron@wirco.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:43 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

aaron

Last Name

fisher

County

noble

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

It would be nice to shorten and move our firearms season away from thepeak of the rut. We will never be able to compete with neighboringstates ability to produce as many big bucks with a 2 week gun seasonin the peak of the rut. Two either 3 or 4 days season is plenty. Theone buck rule has been a great success and i have seen tremendousimprovement in the age class of the bucks that are in my area. Letstake it to the next level and move and shorten our firearmsseasons.

From:

phelps [bphelps@ista-in.org]

Sent:

Thursday, January 22, 2009 11:26 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name byron

Last Name phelps

Email bphelps@ista-in.org

County randolph

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the gun season for deer NOT coincide with the rut. Iowa, Illinois and Ohio intentionally avoid the rut when planning the opening day of firearms season. Deernumber are under control in most parts of the state and I have noproblem with the number of doe permits offered, but if we would like to have trophy deed in Indiana we need to do all we can to help buckssurvive to age 3 or older. The only way that can happen is to avoid the rut.

Thanks

From:

Nussbaum [gprjudge@gmail.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 28, 2009 11:12 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMblank

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First Name Phil

Last Name Nussbaum

County Stueben

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to see our current deer firearms season taken out of thepeak of the rut. I would like to see the season start after December1st. our current season structure of 30+ days of being able tocarry some sort of qun (which is absurd!!!) we need some sort ofseason structure to help protect the bucks rather than putting it mostyears right in the middle of the peak of the rut when they are mostvulnerable. Most people know that the One Buck Rule is helping, butour 30+ days of carrying a gun, combined with a season that starts inthe middle of the rut.....just erodes what the One Buck Rule istrying to accomplish. A season date that starts after December 1stwould help put more mature bucks in our herd in futureyears.....which in turn will help generate more revenue for thestate and hunting industry as that is where most of the major \$\$\$ isbeing pumped into states right now that have a solid mature buck ageclass to hunt.....and in these hard economic times, I would hopethat the state would be looking at regulation changes that could pumpas much \$\$\$\$ into this state as possible during these hard economictimes. Move the firearms season out of the rut.....watch the buckherd mature quickly in future years combined with our One BuckRule.....and watch Hoosier and Out of state hunters begin to investin our deer hunting with MAJOR \$\$\$ spent to hunt here.

Phil Nussbaum

From:

Nissley [nisslerk@grace.edu]

Sent:

Thursday, January 22, 2009 10:41 AM

To:

Deer

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

First Name Rodney

Last Name Nissley

Email nisslerk@grace.edu

County Whitley

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to suggest that the DNR consider delaying the firearmsseason until early December much like the state of Iowa does. Fromdata that I have seen, I believe this would minimize the harvest ofantlered deer and thereby increase the age and quality of deerharvested. I believe having the firearm season in the peak of the rutcauses too many aggressive two and three year old bucks to beharvested before their prime. Thank you.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/SEASONS/EXTEND FIREARMS SEASON

From:

French [french4401@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, February 09, 2009 2:07 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Guinnup, Jacob

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Darrell

Last Name

French

Email

french4401@gmail.com

County

Morgan

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

We currently have the Firearms season and the later Muzzleloaderseason. Why not convert both hunting slots to Firearms season.

I believe the "muzzleloader only" season was based upon the more primitive weapons. It was fair to give the muzzleloaders more time. Wealso had the "buck in each season" rule at that time, to be fair tomuzzleloaders. Now the modern muzzleloaders are superior firearms and it seems unfair us shotgunners can't enjoy equal shooting time.

And our current "one buck rule" eliminates concerns about "animalharvest" fairness.

It should be an easy transition.

Please consider that the sixteen days for shotgunners is not enoughwhen you factor in that one of those weekends is when people have toattend thanksgiving functions, or another weekend day has to be allotted for a family birthday or anniversary or you may just have towork on your saturdays.

Thanks, Darrell French

From:

Sorrell [sdsorrell@aol.com]

Sent:

Friday, February 06, 2009 8:31 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Sean

Last Name

Sorrell

Email

sdsorrell@aol.com

County

Hamilton

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Please extend the Deer firearms (general firearms weapons such ashandgun/leveraction, etc.) season through January. Maintain the onebuck rule throughout while allowing additional does to be taken.

Green [mgreen@electronicevolutions.com] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:02 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mark

Last Name

Green

County

Boone

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Please consider extending Deer hunting season an additional 4 weeksfor both shotgun and muzzleloader.

From:

Herring [elk7x57@comcast.net]

Sent:

Thursday, March 26, 2009 11:09 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

William

Last Name

Herring

County

Morgan

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

March 26, 2009

RE: Restructuring of Early Deer Seasons

Several Hoosier deer hunters have called for various changes in thedeer hunting rules. Although many proposals have some good points, most only address one or two aspects that are critically important. And, many do not attempt to look at the âllibig picture.âlli Likewise, what I propose does not address all aspects of deer management in Indiana. However, I have honestly considered the following points inorder to provide a workable concept for developing rules for deerhunting during early seasons, which are hereby defined as those seasons occurring before what is currently called the Early Statewide Archery Season in October.

- 1. Establish seasons to encourage the recruitment and retention of adults as well as youth hunters.
- 2. Establish seasons that are very distinct, usually not overlapping other deer seasons to minimize real and perceived illegal activity, especially that involving antlered deer.
- 3. Establish early seasons such that only antierless deer may betaken. Taking antierless only deer and doing it during this timeperiod is a very effective and efficient way to manage deer herdnumbers. This also minimizes real and perceived illegal activity regarding antiered deer.
- 4. Establish seasons and bag limits that more effectively addressoverpopulation problems as perceived by farmers, motorists, and insurance companies.

- 5. Establish bag limits for antlerless deer that more realistically reflect DNR management goals for selected counties by using a drawing for a specified quota of early firearm licenses (using bonus licenses) for those counties. This can be set up after the first year to give preference to those hunters not selected the previous year. Thus, more new hunters can be successful and be retained in the hunting ranks by hunting during a season with a very high success rate.
- 6. Establish early seasons so that there is a minimum of five daysof no deer hunting with firearms statewide before the first day ofwhat is currently called the Early Statewide Archery Season inOctober. This will allow deer to âllicalm downâlli and return to theirmore predictable patterns for the opening day of the Early StatewideArchery Season.
- 7. Establish a new Early Firearm Antlerless Season (one weekendonly) to âlllspread outâll the opening dates of firearms huntingseasons, thus reducing somewhat the hunter density in the field onopening weekends. This may also serve to improve somewhat the overallsafety of deer hunting. And, it would make it more attractive forthose who are reluctant to hunt during crowded opening weekend of theregular Firearm Season in November.
- 8. Establish that all depredation permits must be for antierlessdeer only.

Following is an example of how the above seasons could be set up in 2009 under the scenario in Point 6 above:

September 15 to October 10 --- Urban Deer Zones (antlerless onlyuntil first day of statewide archery season and remaining part of UDZseasons same as current statewide archery season).

September 26 & 27 --- Special Statewide Youth Deer Season (antlerlessonly) October 3 & 4 --- Early Firearm Antlerless Season (antlerless only &selected counties only) October 10 --- Early Statewide Archery Season Begins (antlered andantlerless same as now)

Alternatively, some of the early season dates could be moved to oneweek earlier to better accommodate some of the archers who do not wantto give up much of early October. Here are possible alternative dates in 2009 under the scenario of Point 6 above:

September 15 to October 3 --- Urban Deer Zones (antlerless only untilfirst day of statewide archery season and remaining part of UDZseasons same as current statewide archery season).

September 19 & 20 --- Special Statewide Youth Deer Season (antlerlessonly) September 26 & 27 --- Early Firearm Antlerless Season (antlerlessonly & selected counties only) October 3 --- Early Statewide Archery Season Begins (antlered andantlerless same as now)

Regarding the Early Firearm Antlerless Season (2-day weekend hunt inSeptember or early October) I would suggest that it be by drawing only to those hunters possessing a valid bonus antlerless deer license(also include lifetime and youth license holders). Legal equipmentwould be currently legal shotguns, rifles, handguns, muzzleloaders, bows, and crossbows. Landowners, of course, in the DNR-specified counties would not need to purchase a license if hunting on their ownland. However, they would still need to apply, be drawn, and check in the deer as now. Only by having a drawing for a specified total number of licenses per DNR-selected counties would DNR be able to reasonably control the total harvest and achieve its management objectives.

As you will note above one requirement that I propose is that alldeer taken during the early seasons (and on depredation permits) before the beginning date of what is currently called the EarlyStatewide Archery Season will be antlerless only. I believe this willserve to minimize some of the real and perceived illegal activity regarding harvesting of antlered bucks. In other words, absolutely nodeer taken to deer check stations or meat processors will be antlered before the beginning date of Early Statewide Archery Season (only exception would be road kills).

The Early Firearm Antlerless Season license would be for oneantlerless deer per hunter. It would be obtained by drawing and wouldbe good for only one of several counties designated by DNR in need offurther significant reductions in the size of the deer herd. Someobvious counties are those that in 2008 allowed four (4) or more bonusantlerless deer to be taken by an individual hunter. Other potential counties would be those in which a high number of vehicle-deer collisions occur each year. In addition, some counties would continue to have bonus licenses available during the statewide archery, firearm, and muzzleloader seasons. However, many county quotas would be significantly reduced, especially where the Early FirearmAntlerless Season applies.

Some additional considerations regarding establishing an EarlyFirearm Antlerless Season include:

- 1. Several counties continue to have more than the desired number ofdeer (total and antlerless) in spite of the use of depredation permits(unpopular among many sportsmen) and very generous bonus licenses for the past several years. Archery hunters have also been allowed to usebonus antlerless licenses for some time now, even though bonuslicenses started out as a way for firearm hunters to get some of thesame advantages as the archers in taking one or more antlerless deer. And, the archers had been able to do that for more than a month beforefirearm hunters were even allallowed in the woodsall to pursue anydeer -- buck or doe. Apparently, under the current setup, licensedhunters (bow and firearm) have simply not taken sufficient numbers ofantlerless deer to meet DNR goals in those counties in which four (4)or more bonus antlerless deer can be taken.
- 2. I believe DNR statistics show that each year approximately halfof Indianaâlls deer hunters fail to harvest a single deer, while manyhunters get multiple deer year after year. Although fewer hunterstaking multiple deer can theoretically achieve total county harvestgoals it makes more sense to achieve those harvest goals using morehunters and âllspreading outâll the harvest among more hunters. This has the benefit of recruiting more hunters, retaining more hunters(more likely to continue deer hunting if successful early in their chosen sport), and obtaining more license revenue to continue sounddeer study and management practices.
- 3. Many deer hunters who are successful in taking one or more decreach year simply stop hunting when they achieve their personal harvestgoal, even though they could fairly easily harvest more deer. Economics (license fees and processing fees) as well as physical andphilosophical considerations are involved. Thus, the current systemneeds to be modified if DNR is to achieve deer harvest and populationgoals in many counties.
- 4. By having an Early Firearm Antlerless Season (2-day weekendseason only in selected counties) in September or early October wewould also âllspread outâll the load on commercial deer processingfacilities. I suspect many would appreciate that.
- 5. The proposed Early Firearm Antlerless Season may also helpsomewhat to spread out the number of hunters in the field duringregular firearm season (improved safety) because some successful earlyseason hunters will not be hunting during the later firearm season. One nice fat doe may be sufficient for some hunters. For others whoprimarily hunt for a buck (but would also like to have a doe in thefreezer) this would help to âlltake off some of the pressureâlldeciding whether to take the first doe or to wait for a buck that mayor may not be just behind her. By season end they may not have takenany deer, because the remaining deer have become much more wary andnocturnal.
- 6. By having a drawing for one of these Early Firearm Antlerless Season licenses DNR can easily track who has applied, who issuccessful in the draw and the harvest, and institute a hunter IDnumber. This number could then be used if desired in future drawings, surveys, etc. We already have drawings for military and park hunts, so this should not cause any great additional burden on the DNR. Also, in the second year of the proposed early firearm season DNR could (and should in my opinion) give first preference to thosehunters who were not successful in drawing an early season license inthe previous year. (Refer again to Consideration 2 above.)

Overall, I believe the Indiana DNR has done a pretty good job ofmanaging deer in the state and has done it on a tight budget compared to some other states. I trust you will continue to improve management while at the same time expanding hunting opportunities, recruiting and retaining more adult hunters, and recruiting and retaining more youthhunters. I believe adoption of this proposal, or something quitesimilar, will help you to achieve those goals.

Thank you very much for your serious consideration of thisproposal.

Sincerely,

William Herring

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/SEASONS/DOE ONLY SEASON

From:

slatcoff [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Saturday, January 24, 2009 10:56 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name clint

Last Name slatcoff

County porter

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

i suggest that indiana incorporates a "doe only" season in order tothin the herd. i believe that this may even generate tag sales.

From: Sent:

Kulhawick [fkulhawick@gmail.com] Sunday, January 25, 2009 12:58 PM

To:

To: NRC

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Frank

Last Name Kulhawick

County Marion

State of Residence TN

Suggestions

Please extend late winter antlerless season through the Christmas and New Year holiday to around 6 January.

This would extend the hunting opportunities and reduce the "roadkill" deer in high density zones.

Thanks!

Frank

From: Sent:

Chandler [sctypk@yahoo.com] Sunday, January 25, 2009 6:47 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Scott

Last Name Chandler

County Marion

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to see about creating an anterless firearm season thatlasts as long as late archery, even if it is only for highly populatedareas. This could encourage more anterless harvest that would helppromote better herd health and balance.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/NON-RESIDENT LICENSE

From:

Fasel [inspector9302@sbcglobal.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:23 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mark

Last Name

Fasel

County

Marion

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I strongly feel that non-resident lisence fee's should be based onwhat the state of the non-resident charges for out of state huntersand fishermen. This should be a reciporical (Not sue of spelling) costdepending on which state the sportsman is from. We have many Illinoishunters that come here to hunt yet they charge us outragious fees tohunt in Illinois. The same goes for fishing...Just my 2 cents...

From:

Hall [jeromehall@sbcglobal.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:43 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Jerome

Last Name

Hall

Email

jeromehall@sbcglobal.net

County

Jefferson

State of Residence

MO

Suggestions

I lived and hunted in Indiana for over 25 years before moving to Missouri in 2002... I still choose to hunt whitetail in Brown Countywith my lifelong hunty buddy every year now in light of the \$125 outof state license fee... I can only afford to hunt gun season since bowseason is also \$125... It would be nice if I could buy an out of statepermit that would allow me to hunt any deer season in IN until I'msuccessful in taking game... Some other states do this already... If Itook a deer during bow season, I would then purchase another permit tocontinue hunting in bow, gun or muzzleloader... Now, it would cost me\$500 to be able to hunt in bow, gun (buck), gun (doe) and muzzleloaderwithout taking a single deer... Suppose I should have bought that lifetime IN permit years ago in hindsight but I din't see the move to MO coming... Please help! Thanks...

From:

ZAGRODNIK [SLZAGRODNIK@WIDEOPENWEST.COM]

Sent:

Saturday, January 24, 2009 12:32 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name STEVEN L

Last Name ZAGRODNIK

County COOK

State of Residence TT.

Suggestions

I would like to see a rules change for deer hunting. I feel that if anon resident buys an out of state deer tag and wishes to purchase anadditional doe tag he should get that tag at the resident doe tagrate. I don't feel that it is fair to make the non resident pay \$150for the first tag + \$150 for a second tag + \$25 to get the doe tag. Ifeel that it should be \$150 + \$25 to get a buck and doe tag. Someyears all I see are does so I go home without any venison for myfamily. Thank you and I feel that the Indiana DNR is doing a fine jobwith the limited resources available to them.

From: Sent:

Stapleton [sstapleton@uswwl.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 1:53 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Stephen

Last Name Stapleton

Email sstapleton@uswwl.com

County campbell

State of Residence KY

Suggestions

The deer hunting regulations for Indiana are unfair for nonresidents. The rules are suppose to be the same as surronding states. For nonResidents you must purchase a license of 150.00 for every weapon youhunt with. Where in other states you purchase the license and it is good for any weapon Buck or Doe. Indiana gun season non residents first must kill a buck. Which is not fair if you dont see one. Andmore importantly what if you want to kill a doe. the rule makes nosense. And also the bonus tag of 150.00 is to expensive. We have 3 farms in Indiana and I am probably not going to hunt there anymore because of the expense. I have hunted there for over 35 years but it is just to expensive compared to Ohio and Kentucky.

From: Sent: schoelkopf [jimthegolfer@tx.rr.com] Friday, January 23, 2009 11:10 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMSpecial Permits and Licenses

Special Permits and Licenses blank

First Name James

Last Name schoelkopf

County Collin

State of Residence TX

Suggestions

I hunt with my sons and friends every year in shotgun deer season. Afew years ago an out of state hunter could purchase a doe permit afterpurchasing a buck licence for under 30.00, but for the last two yearsit seams like greed took over and Indiana wants the same for a bucklicence and a secondary doe licence for an out of state person. Allthe articles i've read says that Indiana is trying to cut down on thenumber of does. I for one quite buying the extra doe licence when they became the same price as an out of state buck licence. I used to live in Indiana and I love to hunt there but I will never purchase a doelicense as long as they are the redicules price they are know. James Schoelkopf

From:

McCammon [mlogging13@peoplepc.com] Tuesday, February 03, 2009 8:30 PM

Sent:

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brian

Last Name

McCammon

Email

mlogging13@peoplepc.com

County

Sullivan

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Raise our non-resident deer license price to compare with Illinois.

From:

stapleton [dave@stapletonelectric.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, February 11, 2009 3:47 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

dave

Last Name

stapleton

Email

dave@stapletonelectric.com

County

hamilton

State of Residence

OH

Suggestions

have your deer hunting nonresident fees and regulations match yourneighboring states of ohio and kentucky. these states afford indianaresidents a much better opportunity than you are providing nonresidents from oh. and ky. Especially the fact you require a seperate deer tag for each season.

Thank you and I hope to hear your reply!

From: Sent: Schoelkopf [jimthegolfer@tx.rr.com] Tuesday, February 17, 2009 6:43 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

James

Last Name Schoelkopf

Email

jimthegolfer@tx.rr.com

County Collin

State of Residence

Suggestions

I would suggest you take a hard look at what the state charges for aout of state doe licence after a person has purchased an out of statebuck license. I hunt in Indiana ,which I lived in for almost 20 years, With my two sons every year. I only buy a buck license because of whatthe state has raised the price of a seconday doe license to.

There were a lot of articles about the state wanting to cut down onthe number of does. The extra doe license used to be around 22.00 and I would purchase one for the meat. But now it would cost me the samefor my buck license and then I would have to pay the some for an extradoe licence. I will never pay that kind of price for a extra doelicense. The buck license is already high enough as it is.

Sincerely,

James Schoelkopf

jimthegolfer@tx.rr.com

From: Sent:

brown [abrown@seidata.com] Friday, March 20, 2009 12:25 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

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Deer

First Name

Last Name brown

County switzerland

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

The reason for this suggestion, one of my family (out of state) came into deer hunt during the last week of bow season, he also planned onhunting part of the firearm season, so he purchased an out-of-statebow and gun license on line at the same time. Because of the one buckrule I told him his gun license would be void if he took a buck withhis bow. To go ahead and hunt for a doe during gun season would havemeant he would have to buy another (bonus) permit. He took a doeduring bow season, but had to past on does during the gun seasonbecause the firearm license allows for buck only. If the firearmlicense would allow either sex, I feel that the state would probablysell more permits because the odds of being able to take a doe arehigher and therefore the person would probably buy another one for thechance to shoot a buck or they could chose to shoot another doe. Problem is, No one should buy a firearm license until the first bowseason has ending because it will be void if a buck is taken duringbow season.

From:

Holcomb [randyandrena@comcast.net]

Sent:

Sunday, March 29, 2009 1:30 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Other

First Name

R. Randall

Last Name

Holcomb

County

Wayne

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

One day \$10.00 license for out-of-state hunters/fisherman

Allotted time and organized hunts at State Parks for both Raccoon and Rabbit.

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From: Sent: Reuter Jr. [johnr@freyelectric.com] Tuesday, March 17, 2009 12:35 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

John

Last Name

Reuter Jr.

Email

johnr@freyelectric.com

County

Ripley

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I think we should allow a non resident deer hunter to take does withthe purchase of thier licsense. As it now stands without buying anadditional antierless tag for \$150 they are restricted to bucks. Thisapproach leaves them with a few options.

- 1. Take a small buck if nothing better walks by or if it is with adoe because you just spent \$150 and do not want to go home emptyhanded. Many hunters will take a large doe over a small buck ifpossible.
- 2. By the end of the hunt you could be so frustrated that you onlysaw does that you poach one because you didn't have another \$150 toplunk down for another tag.
- 3. Not hunt in our wonderful state at all because of the cost and buck restrictions.

I believe Indiana will see an increase in non resident deer huntingif it were a little cheaper and easier. We could use the extra revenue in this state.

I think the herd could use a little more thinning and allowing more people to take does would allow smaller bucks to get passed up, allowing them to get larger.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/HUNTER ORANGE

From:

Smith [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Saturday, February 14, 2009 6:31 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Cc: Subject:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name Chris

Last Name Smith

Email cruzdude012yahoo.com

County putnam

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Since several years ago University of Wisconsim researchers found that white tail deer can see blaze orange, allowing an alternate safetycolor, they suggested florescent pink, which deer cannot see but definately stands out in nature, would be greatly appreciated.

From:

Hooten [johnhooten@embarqmail.com]

Sent:

Sunday, January 18, 2009 1:41 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject ischroeder@www.in.gov

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

blank

First Name

John

Last Name

Hooten

County

Dearborn

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I do not want to see a change in requiring hunter orange to bedisplayed while hunting from a ground blind. As a matter of fact, thecurrent law should be changed to hunter orange being mandatory onlywalking or sitting on the ground. There is absolutely no need to havehunter orange displayed while in an elevated tree stand. My fatheralways taught me to be aware of my surroundings and never take a shotunless it was a safe one. Unfortunately accidents occur on a dailybasis and no matter how many rules and regulations that are introduced, there will still be accidents that occur.

From:

Becraft [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Saturday, January 17, 2009 5:15 AM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMblank

blank

blank

First Name

Richard

Last Name

Becraft

County

Lawrence

City

State of Residence

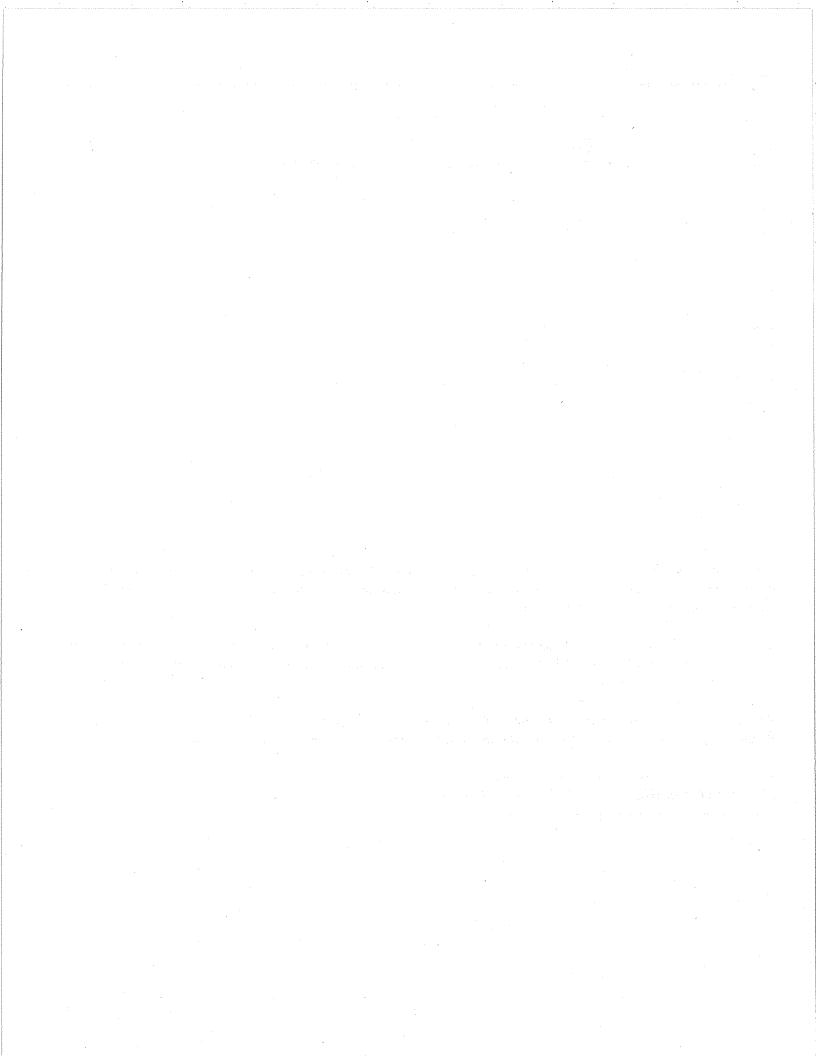
IN

Suggestions

I oppose any attempt to increase the hunter orange requirements forhunting in Indiana. The current requirements and even an ounce of common sense is more than adequate and no amount of new legislation orrules will ever be an adequate substitute for the ounce of commonsense.

Some want to add hunter orange requirements on hunting blinds to thecurrent requirements of hunter orange on outside garments. What isnext? Will they want a flag if you hide behind a tree or a flag polestrapped to your back if you walk around some brush?

Keep people incapable of remembering simple hunting rules like "knowyour target and be sure of your back stop" out of the woods. Theres arule we need. You couldn't wear enough orange to be safe from thosekind of...



COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/BUCK & DOE TAGS

From: Sent:

Friedrich [friedmarlin5@aol.com]

To:

Monday, January 19, 2009 9:17 PM

Cc:

NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mark

Last Name

Friedrich

County

Harrison

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

The bonus antlerless permit prices need to be stepped down for EVERY subsequent purchase not just the second or third one as it is now.

Hunters who take 3+ deer per year are probably doing so because they need the meat to feed their families. Make it easier for them and takeaway any motive for taking deer illegally because they feel they haveto feed their families and cannot afford to buy the tags.

Or give them an extra discount if they are on food stamps.

From:

Carver [tyler_carver1@eku.edu]

Sent:

Saturday, January 17, 2009 1:18 PM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

Tyler

Last Name

Carver

County

 $A \parallel$

City

State of Residence

ΚУ

Suggestions

The firearms deer tag should include an antlerless tag like thearchery. I have seen first hand several times people harvesting asmall 1.5 year old buck and passing on several opportunites onantlerless deer simply because they don't want to shell out an extra\$150 for an antlerless tag. On my last day hunting Indiana this year,I harvested a 1.5 year old buck that was chasing a much larger doe. Iwould have much rather harvested the doe, but could not because Icould not afford both an antlered and antlerless tag. I think as a state, Indiana needs to promote more antlerless harvests. Your statehas made drastic improvement in the past 5-10 years, but have alwaysbeen a step behind states like Kentucky and Ohio.

From:

Bonsett [jbonsett@co.johnson.in.us]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:16 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

John

Last Name

Bonsett

County

Johnson

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

The allowable quota for antierless deer needs to be carefullyreevaluated. I live and hunt primarily in Johnson County and thechance to shoot eight antierless deer is unnecessary. I only saw oneanterless deer this year, late in the season, and I didn't want to shoot the only one left. I also believe those who utilize the depredation permits are taking advantage of that special permit.

From:

Leach [bill.leach@wishtv.com]

Sent:

Saturday, January 24, 2009 12:00 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Bill

Last Name

Leach

County

sullivan

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I own a cabin in Sullivan county and deer hunt on the many publicacres nearby of Hillenbrand, Green-Sullivan, Minnehaha. Due to the onebuck rule (which I agree with) and the restrictions on shooting doeson those properties during gun season, sometimes gun season is a bust. If I shoot a buck during bow season I have no place to hunt during gunseason even though Green and Sullivan counties are bonus anterless counties. Can't the restrictions be relaxed to allow at least one doeto be taken?

From:

chaplin [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Saturday, January 24, 2009 11:01 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name tammy

Last Name chaplin

County porter

State of Residence ΙN

Suggestions

indiana needs to incorpoate a doe only deer season to help thin theheard and get the doe buck ratio in check and i think it will generatemore tag sales

From: Sent: BARHYDT [klbarhydt@sbcglobal.net] Sunday, January 25, 2009 6:51 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name KURT

Last Name BARHYDT

County st. joseph

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

i would like the deer firearm license to be changed from antlered onlyto either sex. reason being number one the muzzloader license iseither sex so why shouldn't the firearm be? number two with the heavydoe population being what it is and out of control one could harvestan extra doe if he didn't shoot a buck! i know that's what the bonusantlerless license is for but this would allow the hunter to still usethe firearms license with out wasting it. besides the doe heard needsthinning out anyway. i saw this past season 20 does for every buck infulton county where i hunt. same in marshall and st. joe counties!don't tell me the reason muzzleloader license is that way because youonly get one shot. most game taken with shotgun or other legal gunsare also taken with just one shot! so please consider changing thisrule or law!

From: Sent: GAHIMER [m_gahimer@yahoo.com] Tuesday, January 27, 2009 12:01 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals
Deer

First Name MARC

Last Name GAHIMER

County Rush

State of Residence TN

Suggestions

Anterless deer rules need to be changed back to the last 4 days of theFirearms season in Rush Co.as in the past.I hunt in the southwesternportion and since the change was made to include all of the firearmsseason,I see less and less deer every year.Many hours that I have satonly to get discouraged by not seeing a single deer makes me start tothink twice of chunking down more than 24.00 for a license.

From:

CONARD [NEWPORTS700@COMCAST.NET]

Sent:

Saturday, January 31, 2009 5:18 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

WILLIAM

Last Name

CONARD

Email

NEWPORTS700@COMCAST.NET

County

ST.JOE

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

WHY NOT LET US USE OUR UNFILLED FIREARMS LICENES DURING THE MUZZELLOADING SEASON FOR A ANTLER DEER INSTEAD OF BEING A WAST OF MONEY FORTHE HUNTER THAT DID NOT HARVEST ONE DURING THAT TIME.

From:

Meng [steve@basecampleasing.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, February 11, 2009 9:17 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Steve

Last Name

Meng

Email

steve@basecampleasing.com

County

Hamilton

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Make the deer permit good for an antlered and an antlerless deer. Increase the price as needed. Non-residents won't pay \$150 for anantlerless tag, but if it was part of the permit, you could generate extra \$30? for every permit sold versus the handful of antlerlesstags you are selling to non-residents now. Then he might buy moreantlerless tags since he does not have that \$150 barrier to entry. Increase revenue and reduce the doe herd with one change! The residentmeat hunter is the one that squawks about price increases. If he isgetting two tags for less than he would be individually, you won'thear from him. You are forcing the opening weekend only gun hunter todo his share of game management (or a donation) which is a goodthing.

From:

GRANTZ [michael.grantz@generalshale.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, February 10, 2009 3:11 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name MICHAEL

Last Name GRANTZ

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County FLOYD

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

BEING A NOVICE HUNTER I WOULD LIKE TO BUY A DEER TAG AND BE ABLE TOTAKE ONE DEER. A DOE OR BUCK. THANKS!

From:

McEowen [gusmc01@wellsfargo.com]

Sent:

Friday, January 23, 2009 1:25 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Travis

Last Name

McEowen

County

Whitley

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Give hunters more incentive to shoot does to help balance the herd. Even with the OBR, too many young bucks are still being taken. Thereason is because it costs the same for the first doe tag as it does for a buck tag. Lower the price for the first doe tag to \$15 or lessfrom the current \$24. Continue with all subsequent doe tags for \$15or even less to encourage the taking of more does.

From:

Williams [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 14, 2009 1:26 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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First Name

Dwayne

Last Name

Williams

Email

County

Foutain

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I believe that there should be a change to deer license system. Thereshould be a buck license good for all of archery, firearms andmuzzleloader seasons. In addition you should continue to offer thebonus antlerless license to cover female deer.

The system currently in place can require a hunter to rack upconsiderable amounts of mone in license fees and are an unnecessary expense on the hunting public.

From: Sent:

mcduffee [rjmcduffee@hotmail.com] Thursday, January 08, 2009 8:18 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

ryan

Last Name

mcduffee

Email

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County

Parke

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Change the license structure so that there is buck and doe tags. Notfirearms/archery/muzzleloader tags. Increase the price a bit of each to make up any potential loss of revenue.

From:

Frye [joeandkristin@outdrs.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 9:11 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Joseph

Last Name

Frye

Email

joeandkristin@outdrs.net

County

Clay

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Deer License Change...

I would like to see the Firearms Tag good for a buck and a doe.

From:

Ayers [savageayape@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:54 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Gregory

Last Name

Ayers

Email

savageayape@yahoo.com

County

marion

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I suggest we create a (Seasonal Deer Tag). I hold a lifetime huntinglicense, however I have friends who do not have a lifetime license. The process of analyzing which deer tag to purchase based on theamount of time left in the seasons, which weapon is still legal to usein each corresponding season, special hunts drawn for and all thedifferent tags available is a chore for them. hunters are likeeveryone else and must watch the amount of money spent on deer tags, but if they make the wrong choices, they may miss out on theopportunity to take a doe, buck or particular season based on thechoices made in which tag to purchase. For instance, if someone wasdrawn for a military refuge hunt on opening day, that person canpurchase a military refuge tag or use a firearms tag. If he issuccessful with the firearms tag on the military hunt by taking a doe, then his hunting during firearms season is over. If he purchases amilitary tag, and is not successful during that one day hunt, his tagis no longer good. I suggest creating a new deer tag which is good forall weapons and all deer taken during a single season (Seasonal Deer Tag). This tag would be used in the same way a lifetime license isused, however, it is only good for one season from opening day ofarchery season through the end of the second archery season as well asfirearms, muzzleloader and the military refuge hunts. The pricing ofthe tags must be carefully thought through so the DNR will not losemoney as a result of the implementation of the seasonal deer tag, but, will also be affordable to the hunters as an incentive to purchasethem. It can be a win-win for the DNR and the hunters. Some peoplesimply do not purchase an extra tag because they do not want to spendthe extra money on something so short lived, such as with a one dayhunt or they may not know if they will have the time to spendhunting during muzzleloader season and as a result may choose not topurchase the tag. If the option was available for a seasonal tag manyhunters would choose that route. I'm estimating a charge of about\$75.00 may be a good starting point, but of course, it will take someserious consideration on the part of the DNR to determine the properamount to charge.

From:

McCammon [mlogging13@peoplepc.com] Tuesday, February 03, 2009 8:34 PM

Sent:

To: Cc: **NRCFWRulesProject** Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brian

Last Name

McCammon

Email

mlogging13@peoplepc.com

County

Sullivan

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Actually issue a notchable tag for deer. Just writing out a tag makesit too easy for those who wish to illegally take deer to get them homeand then keep hunting on the tag they still have. If they have tophysically notch a tag then that tag is used.

From: Sent:

pickett [shanepickett69@hotmail.com] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 11:46 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name shane

Last Name pickett

Email shanepickett69@hotmail.com

County ripley

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

As a lifetime hunting license holder and a hunter with 24 years ofbowhunting Indiana deer experience, I think I can safely make asuggestion.

What has always bewildered me was that only antlered deer could beharvested with a firearm tag!

I realize not everyone is a trophy hunter like myself, but the trendis certainley headed in that direction. If someone is out there meathunting the only option they have is to shoot a buck, usually the 1stbuck they see!!

Why not allow either sex harvests with a firearm, you could then bemore conservative with the antlerless tags and make everyone happy. Iwould have more bucks running around with a better chance to achievethat 4 1/2-6 1/2 year old mark. Meat hunters would be able to shootdoes without purchasing an additional license which they would ratherhave in their freezer anyhow. And the populations stays about the samewhich should make the farmers happy, O.K. maybe not the farmers be youget my point!!!

From:

fisher [aaron@wirco.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:26 PM

To: Cc:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

aaron

Last Name

fisher

County

noble

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

There needs to be some clarification about how many deer can be takenduring archery season with an Archery tag. I know plenty of hunterswho think you can harvest a buck and a doe on the 1st archery tag. Also clarification on when you can use your extra archery tag. If youbuy both tags in sept. you should be able to use either tag first.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/1 LICENSE FOR ALL DEER SEASONS

From:

McClanahan [gmcclanahan@impactforge.com]

Sent:

Friday, January 23, 2009 11:47 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

George

Last Name

McClanahan

County

Jennings

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I am a very fortunate person, I have a lifetime license. My son iscurrently 16 yrs old and hunts with a Youth License. Obviously, we will have to start purchasing normal tags, licenses, etc for him soon. He typically kills 2 - 4 deer per season. This can become very expensive, due to the purchase of a new deer tag each time. Mysuggestion would be to allow a hunter to purchase 1 license for deer, at approx \$50 - \$75 that will cover all deer killed within the legallimit. I can see where individuals may stop hunting because they cannot afford to purchase more tags, thus the required deer reductions are not met.

From:

Doyle [doylejmd@aol.com]

Sent:

Friday, January 23, 2009 2:06 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Joe

Last Name

Doyle

County

johnson

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

How about one license covering all deer seasons. The license would be good for archery, gun, muzzel loader and late archery. I wouldn't careif it costed 50 dollars. It would make things easier and be less confusing.

One license, any weapon good for any season. Second license couldcost half of the first one. The first license could be used to huntearly archery if a hunter didn't get a deer they then could use thesame license during gun season, if once again the hunter wasunsuccessful the license could be used for muzzleloader season or latearchery.

One license to cover all weapons for all deer seasons.

From:

Finn [cffoxylady@aol.com]

Sent:

Saturday, January 24, 2009 12:18 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

John

Last Name

Finn

County

Washington

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to make a suggestion on combining the cost of deerlicence. I myself have a Lifetime licence but my Grandson hunts withme all during deer season and it cost way too much for him to buy afirearm ,archery,muzzleloader, and the bonus tags needed to hunt allthe deer seasons. I think more people would buy the tags if they were all included in one, with one price. Other states have adopted this practice and they say they have gained more hunters buying licencethis way than the way Indiana sells licence.

From:

Chandler [sctypk@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Sunday, January 25, 2009 11:19 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Scott

Last Name Chandler

County Marion

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to suggest that the DNR adopt some sort of annualcomprehensive hunting license, similar to the lifetime license thatused to be offered. I am an avid hunter and waste many tags each yearbecause I don't harvest a deer during a particular season. I havebeen told that other states offer similar licenses. The cost isn't afactor as much as the convenience of not having to carry so manydifferent licenses and constantly decide if I should buy an extra tag, etc. Thank you for your consideration.

From:

Hendrickson [richard.hendrickson@embarq.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, January 27, 2009 1:35 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Richard

Last Name Hendrickson

County Kosciusko

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I have a lifetime license so this really doesnt effect me. But I heara lot of people complaining that they like the one buck a year rule. But they dont like the idea that they have to buy three differentlicense's to try and kill a buck. If they buy a archery tag and dontget one, then they buy a firearm tag and try to bag a buck. If theyare not successful with firearm they then buy a muzzleloading tag. Theythink that there should be a buck only tag that is good for all threeseasons. Even if it is priced a little higher than the reg deer tagsare now. Example say I buy a buck only tag for 35 dollars and it isvalid for ONE buck only but license is good for archery, firearm andmuzzleloading. I have saved 37 dollars and still can try and huntuntil I bag a buck. Still keep the extra archery and bonus county tagswhere they are now. This is just a suggestion, I believe you would seemore people participating in all three seasons.

From:

Marks [jwmslm1949@comcast.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 10:50 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

John

Last Name

Marks

Email

jwmslm1949@comcast.net

County

Tippecanoe

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the deer licenses simplified, like some otherstates. I would like to see a person buy one license and use it forall weapons. The state could charge a little more for the first one,and then scale the price back for additional tags. The state couldkeep the same seasons, and provide a box to check for the weapon used. A hunter would still be required to hunt with the proper weapon inthe proper season. The difference would be that the hunter would notbe required to buy an archery license, then gun license, and thenmuzzleloader license. If the hunter is not successful in earlyarchery, he could use the same license for gun season. If the hunter is not successful during gun season, he could use the same license formuzzleloader season. If the hunter is not successful duringmuzzleloader season, he could still use the same license for latearchery.

This would be an advantage for the state by saving on paperwork, staffing, and law interpretation.

It would be an advantage to a hunter, as he is not always reaching inhis wallet to buy another license. Buying all of these licenses only to throw them into the trash can be very discouraging. This may be allit takes for some hunters to give up hunting as a hobby. The sport ofhunting is slowly dying with the baby boomers, letâlls encouragehunters, not discourage them.

From:

Starling [kc9bri@insightbb.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 9:31 PM

To:

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Subject:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Jeff

Last Name Starling

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County Dubois

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to see a multi-deer hunting license that does not cost somuch. For example, a license for \$35 that allows 2 deer to be taken, instead of having to pay \$24 each time a person takes a deer. At \$24per tag there is not much 'Bonus' in Bonus Antlerless tags.

From: Sent:

Schramski@sbcglobal.net] Sunday, January 25, 2009 11:11 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Darrel

Last Name Schramski

County Saint Joseph

State of Residence IN

Suggestions sell a combo licence for bow season, allowing either 2 deer or onedeer and one turkey. To be sold at a price at 8 dollars less thanpurchacing two licences.

From:

Thorp [mthorp01@current.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 8:31 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals
Deer

First Name Michael

Last Name Thorp

Email mthorp01@current.net

County Hamilton

State of Residence OH

Suggestions

I would like submit a change to the deer regulations that the deerfirearm license become a "deer" license like the archery andmuzzleloader license are.that you would be allowed to one deer ofeither sex. I fell that this will help in reducing the deerpopulation. I hunt mostly for trophy deer as do most of the guys i huntwith but we would still like to have the option of taking a doe if thebucks we are see just havent matured enough. In this economy it wouldbe nice to have that option. Most huners that I have discussed say that they would still purchase another permit if they took a doe so they could still hunt for that trophy. Thank you allow me to add my input. Thave been hunting in Indina only since 1984 its the best. Thank you Michael Thorp

From:

Wolf [davolf@insightbb.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 29, 2009 12:08 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Steve

Last Name Wolf

County Vand

State of Residence

Suggestions

Why do we have to buy a new deer license every new season. Why cant weuse a license we purchased for gun season and use it for muzzle loaderseason if the license was not filled. One license should be good thruthe whole season untill it is filled, we can still keep the standardway of buying the extra and bonus county deer license for anterlessdeer but give us a break on the buck permits, let us use it in any gunseason till it is filled, the same with archery license. \$50.00 for 2buck license is too much just to throw away the first one if it is notfilled. Now if we do fill the first license during shotgun season andwe desire to hunt during muzzle loader season then we should be ableto purchase a entirely new license.

Also the archery hunters gets to hunt the whole fall season, eventhru our shotgun season, they have done had almost 2 months to huntfree of any distractions, Then they get to hunt right thru the gunseason with their bows. this seems to me to be very unfair to us gunhunters. we have to put up with the extra burdon of archery hunters onout butts. Dont tell me they have a harder time getting their deerthan we gun hunters do. thats bull, give us gun hunters at least theshotgun season free from archery hunters. its only fair. There are alot of things you guys could do to improve us citizens hunting and theway it is carried out. looks to me like a favoritetism for archeryhunters.

From:

wells [debb8wl@netpenny.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 9:11 PM

To:

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Subject:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name robert

Last Name wells

Email debb8wl@netpenny.net

County dearborn

State of Residence IN

Suggestions combine the type of weapon used in deer hunting to one license, shotgun, archery and muzzleloader.

From:

Horn [joseph.horn@ge.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:54 PM

To:

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Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Joseph

Last Name

Horn

County

Ohio

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Please consider structuring and pricing a Deer License system that allows a hunter to purchase one license that would apply accoss allthree seasons, Archery, Firearm, Muzzleloader. The bonus anterlesslicense would still exist. The price would be higher than the current\$24.00 per but less than the \$72.00 required for all three seasons. Atrade study would have to be done to model current and future revenues to balance the pricing of this new type of license. Hunters talk alotabout this in their circles as well.

From:

Nicoson [jay.nicoson@gmail.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:10 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Robert

Last Name

Nicoson

County

vigo

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see a more broadened licensing for deer hunting. Forexample, I think it would be better if we could purchase an antieredlicense or a antierless license that covered whatever season we arein, rather than having to purchase a license for every season. So aslong as I did not take a buck in archery, I could still use that "antiered license" to take a buck during firearm or duringmuzzleloader or late archery. Once I took a buck, I am done, obviouslyfor the antiered. I would also like to see the bonus antierlesslicense pricing dropped even on the first one.

From:

Sent:

Meredith Sr. [afssadmin@ai.org] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:03 PM

To:

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Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Gary

Last Name

Meredith Sr.

County

Spencer

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see our Deer Hunting license change... I think it would benifet everyone if we went to a single charge for firearmslicense and allow either a antlered or anterless deer to be taken. That would eliminate alot of doe's being out there, which in returnwould reduce the number of deer vehicle accidents.

From:

Coley [keithcoley@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Saturday, February 14, 2009 7:48 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMSpecial Permits and Licenses

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Special Permits and Licenses

blank

First Name

Keith

Last Name

Coley

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County

Owen

State of Residence

ΤN

Suggestions

Change the current license system to where you could buy A Deer tagthat you could use whatever weapon you choose. It would be good from the start of Bow season to the end of Muzzleloader season or until youtake a buck. It's not right to have to buy A license for each type of weapon to take the same Deer. Also the same with Turkey if you buy Atag in the in the spring and do not take A Tom that tag should be goodin the fall.

From:

robinson [www.waterdogpiker@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Thursday, March 12, 2009 7:48 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Daniel

Last Name

robinson

Email

www.waterdogpiker@yahoo.com

County

Henry

State of Residence

ΙN

Suggestions

A hunter should have only one deer license for the entire deer season. Currently, it is very confusing as to which license is needed.

A hunter is deterred from continuing to hunt in other seasons becausehe may not have the needed tag(s), which, if he knew he were legal, would more likely keep on hunting. The current system can set up theun-informed hunter for a violation.

The price of the license would probably need to be increased, maybeeven doubled.

Alabama has one license for the entire season which runs for 150 dayswith a 2 deer limit per day. Hunters don't need to worry about havingthe correct license.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/SEASONS/REDUCE FIREARMS SEASON

From: Sent: Wessel [ewessel1@usieagles.org] Tuesday, February 24, 2009 1:49 AM

To:

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Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

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COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

Deer

First Name E. Tyler

Last Name Wessel

Email ewessell@usieagles.org

County Jackson

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I suggest we only have a 1 week (2 weekend) gun/firearms season, orshorten the gun season when we are allowed to kill bucks and/orsimultaniously lengthen the doe firearm hunting period. This willallow bucks to mature. We have seen what the one buck rule has done toour Indiana bucks, this would improve on that. With more and morearchery hunters, this will also give them more of a chance to bagtheir buck during the rut. Thanks for my consideration, E. TylerWessel Brownstown, Indiana Lifetime Comprehensive Hunting License Holder

From:

Martin [martins@bnin.net]

Sent:

Monday, January 19, 2009 8:20 PM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mike

Last Name

Martin

County

Elkhart

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to suggest that we shorten the time hunters can harvestbucks with firearms. The purpose of this is to increase the number of bucks and to increase the age of our bucks. As our bucks age theirantler mass increases each year until the mass peaks at 6-8 years of age. In Ohio and Illinois the firearms season for bucks is much shorter and they are seeing results like I have suggested. I also think we need to increase the doe harvest to get the buck to doe ratio in the range of 1-2 or 1-4. I think we should make an early muzzle loader season and a longer late muzzle loader season and maybe addshot guns to these seasons if we need to. These seasons should be fordoes only.

Thank you for this opportunity.

Mike Martin

From:

McCammon [blmccammon@yahoo.com]

Sent: To: Sunday, February 15, 2009 11:36 AM

Cc:

NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brent

Last Name McCammon

Email

blmccammon@yahoo.com

County Vigo

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the firearms season for deer set up like Illinois firearms season. Leave the bow and muzzleloader seasons as they arebut shorten the number of days for the firearms season. Maybe have athree day season on what would be opening weekend of the firearmsseason then a four or five day hunt on the last four or five days of the firearms season

From:

Clymer [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Tuesday, February 10, 2009 7:35 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Chris

Last Name

Clymer

Email

f10clymer

County

Daviess

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I feel that the firearm season for bucks should be shortened to 5days(for example still have a 2 week gun season but only allow buckharvest in the first 5-7 days and does for the whole 2 weeks. The onebuck rule is fine but it does no good when they are hunted for 2 weeksin the middle of the rut. Illonois and Kentucky both have similarseasons to this and everyone seems happy, both meat hunters and trophyhunters, and I'm sure their resident license and non resideint licenserevenue is great. I think this would lead to a more enjoyable hunt. Please do not allow insurance company's to regulate our deer kill. Ifeel that the quality of the hunt in Indiana has declined dramaticallyin Indiana over the last few years and I am a firm believer this change would lead to more rewarding trips to the field. Thanks forthis place to voice our opinions I think it's a great place andresource to enchance our outdoor tradition. Thanks Chris

From:

Limcaco [mattlimcaco@aol.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, February 04, 2009 7:32 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Matthew

Last Name

Limcaco

Email

mattlimcaco@aol.com

County

vigo

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Decrease the length of the firearms season beginning the Saturdaybefore Thanksgiving to the Sunday Following Thanksgiving.

From:

Crockett [brian.crockett@crockettmules.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 28, 2009 8:25 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brian

Last Name

Crockett

County

Vigo

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

- 1.) To shorten the main firearms season to 1 week or just significantly shorten it. This would more align us with neighboring ILL., or break it into two short seasons similar to that of ILL. After firearms first weekend in IN. deer disappear completely as there is too much hunting pressure. Breaking up the pressure would significantly improve hunter success on mature animals.
- 2.) Change the archery tags to both being antlered/antlerless. This would allow those archery hunters to help cull the buck herd. Overthe past four years the one buck rule has greatly increased the amount of mature bucks. However, I am seeing an increasing amount of mature 4-6 yr old bucks who do not have the genetics to grow P&Y or B&C. To allow archery hunters to take two bucks would allow 'culling' of these bully bucks who are dominant and pushing out the genetically superior younger bucks.

From:

McCammon [mlogging13@peoplepc.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 10:10 PM NRCFWRulesProject

Sent: To:

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brian

Last Name

McCammon

County

Sullivan

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Shorten the deer firearms season it is too long!

From:

Sent:

HULL [in.ed@insightbb.com] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 10:34 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

EDWARD

Last Name

HULL

Email

in.ed@insightbb.com

County

Vanderburgh

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Reduce the number of days that firearm season is in for deer. Bow and Muzzleloader season seem OK. But general firearms should be shortened

From: Sent: Nussbaum [chapmanacres@mchsi.com] Wednesday, January 28, 2009 10:59 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals
Deer

First Name Tim

Last Name Nussbaum

County Kosciusko

State of Residence TN

Suggestions

The length of our current Deer Season in which you can carry/hunt withsome sort of gun (firearm/muzzleloader) is WAY too long. I seesurrounding states with a total of two weeks or less that you can usesome sort of gun for taking deer....but our state is 30+ days of allowing this practise. The result of our long gun season(firearms/muzzleloader) is less opportunity for the bucks in this state to reach a more mature level.....there are simply too many daysallowed to hunt them with guns resulting in a lower than averagesurvival rate than surrounding states. The result in a shorter gunregulated season would increase the age in bucks which in turn wouldcreate more opportunity for revenue for the state and huntingindustry/vendors of this state as it is well known that an older ageclass of bucks usually corrisponds with more of a "trophy class"opportunity for the hunter.....and that is where more \$\$\$ is spentannually by hunters.....the pursuit and increase possibility toobtain a more mature buck. Keeping the current regulations for 30+days of carrying a gun only helps snuff out the possibilities of amore mature buck in our herd.....and also snuffs out the higherdollars that could be spent in this state in the midst of an alreadypoor economy. Shorter gun season = More interest and financial/economic gain for our state.

Thank you.

Tim Nussbaum

From:

Wahl [jwahl@archindy.org]

Sent:

Thursday, January 22, 2009 8:15 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name John

Last Name Wahl

Email jwahl@archindy.org

County Morgan

State of Residence

Suggestions

I suggest moving the primary deer firearms season later into the yearand shortening it.

Possibly starting it on Thanksgiving day and running it for the next10 days for a total of 11 days (in 2009 it would be 11/26 thru 12/6). This would give the deer a less stressfull rut and I believe wouldafter time produce more bucks of age in our state. The one buck rulehas helped in this area, I think this would be step two.

Also, a crossbow only season between the firearms season and the latearchery season (5 days). This would also give the state more fundsfrom another license.

From:

wireman [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:03 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

willie

Last Name wireman

Email

County jasper

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

To encourage the taking of mature bucks and to reward those who do, Isuggest to shorten the gun season. At least, move the days to later inthe rut cycle. We are being left behind other mid western states withour trophy hunting. Also, I believe we should increase thenon-resident fees- way to cheap with surrounding states. To reward thetaking of mature whitetails, I believe we should reward those who waitand harvest a 140 class deer by allowing a bonus buck tag. You wouldbe required to harvest a buck that will score over 140 pope and youngpoints before you can purchase a second bonus tag for the remainderlegal seasons. Your second buck would have to score a min. pointvalue, or follow a spread rule such as other states. A small, moderatepenalty fee would apply for noncompliance to the rule.

From:

Niewedde [bniewedde@yahoo.com] Monday, January 19, 2009 11:36 AM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: jschroeder@www.in.gov SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brian

Last Name Niewedde

County dearborn

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

when I see neighboring states have limited gun seasons I wish ours wasshorter also, I think that 3 weekends of firearms followed by 3weekends of muzzeloader is too many it should be shorter or nomuzzeloader season ,when we first started muzzeloader it wasn,t withthe new in line type like they have now

From:

rutan [muskyroot@hotmail.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:49 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

alan

Last Name

rutan

County

tippecanoe

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I propose that our deer seasons are more in line with Illinois'seasons. We do have liberal doe permits and this is a good thing ashunters need to keep the doe population thinned out. However, our firearms season is way too long. In order to grow quality whitetals, they have to have a chance to mature. Sixteen days right through therut is not the way to produce quality bucks. There are way too many 1.5 to 3.5 year old bucks killed every year. They don't have a chanceto grow up! This not only hurts our chances of experiencing anoppurtunity at a big buck, but it also makes it difficult to get theherd in line with where it should be and that is a 1:1 buck to doeratio. Reduce the current sixteen day firearms season to two threeday seasons. I propose one three day season during Thanksgivingweekend and one three day season the following weekend. We can stillkeep the population in check and provide a quality hunt!

From:

Fasel [inspector9302@sbcglobal.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:27 PM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mark

Last Name

Fasel

County

Marion

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to suggest that shorten Shotgun Season to a 9 day seasonStarting on a Saturday and ending on a Sunday as well as muzzleloaderto truly produce trophy whitetail deer. The numbers of bucks could beraised to 2 again one bow and one firearms, if we just shorten thefirearms portions of our season....Thanks for the chance to submitrequests...

From:

Shively [bdshively2003@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:10 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brian

Last Name Shively

County Whitley

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would suggest that deer firearm seasons be shortened. This wouldinclude both a shortening of the general firearm season and themuzzleloader only season. Maybe these seasons could be one weekapiece.

From:

Delaney [eelriver50@yahoo.com] Saturday, January 17, 2009 9:29 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

David

Last Name Delaney

County Marion

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to suggest that the firearms deer season be reduced. While I live in Marion County, my family owns a farm in White County. The number of issues that the long firearms gun season creates are significant. Trespassing, road hunting and constant spotlighting of livestock and personal property in general is tremendous. Statesaround us have reduced their firearms seasons and continue to have solid deer management. There is no reason that the same deer numbers wouldn't be killed with a very short firearms season and landowners would benefit from a significant reduction in illegal activity on their property. Additionally, the State of Indiana would benefit from the redeployment of conservation of ficers time and efforts. Something must be done!!!

From:

Boggs [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Sunday, January 18, 2009 10:10 AM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Kurt

Last Name

Boggs

County

Kosciusko

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I suggest that we move our shotgun season later and shorten it up. This would be a good idea because of the more mature bucks would getand the more popularity Indiana would get and help the state funds. The state funds would be helped when the people in other states wouldcome over and kill deer.

From:	
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Sent:

kirstein [afssadmin@ai.org] Monday, January 19, 2009 10:11 AM

To: Cc:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

jschroeder@www.in.gov SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

jeff

Last Name

kirstein

County

marion

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Make firearm season shorter somthing like Illinois. to improve olderbucks

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/YOUTH SEASON

From:

Rainey [wkrainey@sbcglobal.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:03 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Wes

Last Name

Rainey

Email

wkrainey@sbcglobal.net

County

Lawrence

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the youth hunt age changed to match the age forpurchasing a youth license. It make little since to be able to buy ayouth license until age 17 and not be allowed to participate in boththe youth deer and turkey hunts past the age of 15. Why can the youthnot hunt at these events until they are 17?

One other suggestion; I would like to entertain the thought of goingback to a 2 buck rule. One with archery and one with a firearm.

Thanks,

Wes Rainey

From:

Goodin [nate@goodinfamily.net] Sunday, February 01, 2009 2:09 PM NRCFWRulesProject

Sent:

To:

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Nathan

Last Name

Goodin

Email

nate@goodinfamily.net

County

vigo

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

An extended deer youth season would be very nice.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/ALLOW YOUTH TO TAKE A BUCK

From:

Sent:

Neher [afssadmin@ai.org] Wednesday, January 14, 2009 9:19 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Steven

Last Name

Neher

Email

sneher2peoplepc.com

County

allen

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allow youth hunters to take an antlered deer during the youth season.

From:

Sent:

Fink [mfink@indy.rr.com] Wednesday, January 14, 2009 8:12 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mark

Last Name

Fink

Email

mfink@indy.rr.com

County

Hendricks

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allow either sex take during the youth Deer season.

From: Sent:

Mcduffee [rjmcduffee@hotmail.com] Thursday, January 08, 2009 8:18 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Ryan

Last Name

Mcduffee

Email

rjmcduffee@hotmail.com

County

Parke

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allow youth to take a buck or doe during the special youth only hunt. If they are allowed 1 buck all year then why not let them take itthen?

From: Sent:

walker [rob_walker24@yahoo.com] Friday, January 16, 2009 1:52 PM NRCFWRUESProject

To:

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

robert

Last Name

walker

Email

rob_walker24@yahoo.com

County

madison

State of Residence

ΙN

Suggestions

i am suggesting the either sex tag for youth hunters.thank you

From:

Hayes [shayes@echosupply.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:08 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Shawn

Last Name

Hayes

County

Clay

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Re: Youth Hunting Season

Doe only hunting during needs to be looked at. With the lack ofhunting pressure, a child's only chance at a buck may happen during the youth season where only does can be taken. It would do a lot forthe kids if either sex were opened up during the youth season.

From:

Castle [tccastle@mchsi.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 08, 2009 7:17 PM NRCFWRulesProject

To:

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Chad

Last Name

Castle

Email

tccastle@mchsi.com

County

Whitley

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allow the youth to take a deer of either sex during the youth earlyseason

From:

Sent:

Mullet [afssadmin@ai.org]
Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:49 PM
NRCFWRulesProject

To:

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Aaron

Last Name

Mullet

Email

County

Porter

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Change the administrative law to allow a youth hunter to a buck during the youth weekend in september

From: Sent: Ponder [timothy.ponder@prodigy.net] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:16 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Timothy

Last Name

Ponder

Email

timothy.ponder@prodigy.net

County

Johnson

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see youth able to take a buck in the youth season. Allkids watch hunting videos, and to watch their face when you tell themhe off limits till November is hard to watch. We want kids to get intohunting but we are useing them as a tool for shooting more does.

From:

Steckler [go34ever1@aol.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:44 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Chad

Last Name

Steckler

Email

go34ever1@aol.com

County

Vand.

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

To whom it may concern:

The rule on youth season bag limits needs to be changed to one deerof either sex. It is an insult to the children to tell them that theydon't deserve to take a buck, which is what the current rule isstating. In order to honor the one buck rule if the child takes a buck, that is their only buck for the year. The current rule was preferred by trophy hunters who didn't want a child to shoot THEIR buck. That is a selfish attitude, not to mention an ignorant one and one that doesn't lend itself to the true meaning of conservation. Thank you forconsidering this change.

Sincerely,

Chad Steckler

Kane, Jennifer

From: Sent:

Thomas [jkthomas1776@verizon.net] Monday, January 26, 2009 8:38 PM NRCFWRulesProject

To:

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Follow Up Flag:

Follow up

Flag Status:

Red

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name James

Last Name Thomas

Email jkthomas1776@verizon.net

County Pike

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Allow the harvesting of an antlered deer during the youth deer season.

Kane, Jennifer

From:

Swain [gabes@localnet.com]

Sent:

Saturday, January 24, 2009 7:13 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Rick

Last Name Swain

County Blackford

State of Residence ΙN

Suggestions

I suggest that during the early youth hunt that bucks should be legalto take.

From:

GREGORY [hgregory@hpcisp.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 7:19 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

HAROLD

Last Name

GREGORY

Email

hgregory@hpcisp.com

County

LAW.

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Youth lic. holders be allowed to take a buck during each part of deerseason. 1 - Youth Season

- 2 Firearm Season
- 3 Archery Season
- 4 Muzzle Loader Season

From:

Kirby [snkirby@comcast.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 10:03 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Neal

Last Name

Kirby

Email

snkirby@comcast.net

County

Madison

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

During the special youth deer season in September, I would like to seethe kids have the option of taking either and antlerless deer or anantlered deer. The special youth season was designed to attract morekids to hunting in an effort to curb hunter run off numbers. To limitthem to antlerless deer during this special season is not fair tothem. If we want kids to enjoy their experience, then let them makethe choice for themselves (or their mentor).

Thank You, Neal Kirby

From:

Bruner [rebruner@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 11:13 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Rodney

Last Name

Bruner

Email

rebruner@yahoo.com

County

jackson

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Early youth deer hunting program is a great idea. However, to ask ayoung hunter to pass up a buck during that time is asking quite a bit. Why not let the youth kill anything say 6 points or less? Thiswould help get the young hunter started while yet not allowing "dad" to get to anxious if a big one should walk out.

From:

Sent:

DAVIS [afssadmin@ai.org] Thursday, January 22, 2009 8:14 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMblank

blank

blank

First Name

BRAD, A.

Last Name

DAVIS

Email

County

STEUBEN

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

We need to allow kids to take a buck during the youth hunt. I stillagree with the 1 buck rule, so lets allow the kids to make that call, " is this my 1 buck for the year? ".

From:

Anderson [tanderson@cityofshelbyvillein.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 22, 2009 10:53 AM NRCFWRulesProject

To:

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Todd

Last Name

Anderson

Email

tanderson@cityofshelbyvillein.com

County

Shelby

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

It should be legal for youth hunters to shoot a deer of either sex in he youth gun season that occurs in the last week of September. Ithink limiting the youth season to antlerless deer only is unfair toyouth hunters.

From:

lindsey [curtlindsey@excite.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 22, 2009 9:05 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

curt

Last Name

lindsey

County

Kos.

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I feel that the early youth hunt should not be held as an doereduction plan buttolet the youth have a chance on shooting that Buckof a life time or even there first deer .For instance if there is a140 class buck standing 15 yrd from my son(or daughter)you have totell them they cant shoot it cuz you can only take a doe. That I thinkis wrong and so do many others I have mention this too. They can takedoes any time during the shotgun season this is my view on it ,let meknow what you think about getting this changed. Also think that if someone hasnt filled there firearms license that they could do soduring muzzleloader. My opinion. I have a lifetime license so it makesme no difference thanks

Kane, Jennifer

From:

Hunt [Rothhar1@aol.com]

Sent:

Saturday, January 24, 2009 6:07 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Calvin

Last Name Hunt

County Howard

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I have seen that there is a new proposal being introduced to allow thetaking of a buck durring the two day youth season .I beleive this iscounter productive in many ways .First off it will cause some issueswith the original intent of this recruitment season as it was boastedas a management tool as well a recruitment tool .Also the wide spreadgreed and so called Horn porn will be propigated and I can see wherethere may very well be alot of hanky panky from fathers and huntingbuddies with less than pure intintions as well .I spoken to overtwenty hunters that I know personally many with children and theydislike the idea of allowing bucks to be taken as well.I mean actuallyany antlerless deer should surfice when ist comes to kids ,Lets faceit they can go out in archery or gun just like the previous 50 yearsworth ogf deer hunters did a kids and Dad can set with them just likeour fathers did in regular season .Also there are many teenage kidsthat hunt as well that are able to hunt just as effectively durringregular gun season as any adult .

I personaly am a no I do not support the youth buck seasonproposal!My boys bothe shot thier bucks in regyular season and continue to do so now!

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Kane, Jennifer

From: Sent: Ferguson [duckmaster1@wowway.com] Saturday, January 24, 2009 8:44 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Brian

Last Name Ferguson

County Vand.

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Allow youth to harvest a buck or doe when youth deer season comes in. They can only kill 1 buck anyway, why not let them shoot either a buckor doe for that weekend.

From:

kluemper [kevin.kluemper@aes.com] Thursday, February 05, 2009 3:04 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

kevin

Last Name

kluemper

Email

kevin.kluemper@aes.com

County

pike

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the youth deer hunting season changed to allowkids to be able to harvest an antiered deer during the youth deerseason. If this is not possible I would like to know why?

From:

McClure [geraldjennifer@hotmail.com]

Sent: To: Thursday, February 05, 2009 9:42 PM NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

Gerald

Last Name

McClure

Email

geraldjennifer@hotmail.com

County

shelby

State of Residence

ΙN

Suggestions

Allow the youth hunters in the early youth season to shoot an antlereddeer

From:

Voglewede [carl.a.voglewede@aphis.usda.gov]

Sent:

Wednesday, February 25, 2009 1:12 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject:

Guinnup, Jacob
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Deer

First Name

Carl

Last Name

Voglewede

Email

carl.a.voglewede@aphis.usda.gov

County

Benton

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

"The allowing of youth hunters to be able to harvest an antlered deerduring the two day Youth Deer Hunting Season." I first want to applaudyour continuing effots to get the youth of Indiana exposed to the richhunting and fishing heritage that so many of us treasure. Allowingthis hunt during the warmer September season is also appreciated, as agood portion of the youth cannot withstand the harsher temperatures of the regular firearms season. If getting youth involved in deer hunting a recruitment method the IDNR is implementing, I would suggest theincentive of allowing any deer antlered or antlerless to be harvestedon this two day hunt. Any deer is a trophy to youth qualified for thishunt. From personal experience and comments from other fathers theirchild was unable to harvest a deer during this past season simplybecause the only deer that presented an ethical shot was an antlereddeer. Thank you for your consideration!

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/MUZZLELOADER & PRIMITIVE FIREARMS

From:

Fairchild [fairchild522@bcremc.net] Friday, March 13, 2009 2:22 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

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Deer

First Name

Tracy

Last Name

Fairchild

Email

fairchild522@bcremc.net

County

bartholomew

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allow glass to be included as a flint knapped material for legalpoints for taking deer. Minimum size of manmade points of metal, chert/flint, and obsidian. Size of at least 7/8" wide at its base.

From: Sent:

McEowen [gusmc01@gmail.com]. Friday, January 23, 2009 12:50 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Travis

Last Name

McEowen

County

Whitley

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allow the use of rifles .243 and up to be used to take deer in the state except in urban zones. Require perhaps a minimum of a 100 grainbullet.

The accuracy potential is far greater with rifles than shotgun slugsand would result in less wounded deer due to better shot placement.

Studies have shown that the ricochet potential for slugs can actually be greater than for rifle bullets.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Sent:

Minnich [minnichdave@chilitech.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 9:14 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Follow up

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

First Name Dave

Last Name Minnich

County Knox

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the rifle cartridges that are acceptable forhunting deer expanded to include the 45/70 and 444 marlin, and similarly powered loads. These loads are very similar to modernmuzzleloader loadings in energy. I have talked to several hunters who have seen less than adequate energy from the "pistol" calibercartridges. While responsible hunters should know terminal ballistics for their loading, sometimes their ranging ability is more difficult to accurately control. The increased accuracy from "true" riflecartridges would more than offset the dangers of increased range. As Istated before, the 45/70 and 444 Marlin are very similar to modernmuzzleloader loads and would make a good "test" case. Thank you foryour consideration. Regards, Dave Minnich

From: Sent:

VanCleave [pokeyjoe89@hotmail.com] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:24 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

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First Name

Mark

Last Name VanCleave

County Pipley

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Add blackpowder cartridge longguns (ex. 45-70) to the legal weaponslist for either muzzle loader, or shotgun, or have a season of its owner better yet, make them legal the last week of early bow season. Maybe even all blackpowder weapons in early November so we could catchthe rut.

From:

Cashbaugh [tcashbaugh@koontz-wagner.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:16 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

Thomas

Last Name

Cashbaugh

County

LaPorte

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Why can"t we have a season , limited to 10 days only before the gunseason for primitive muzzleloaders only. I mean , no inlines orscopes, open sights only , bound ball or lead bullet, no sabots, guncould be either flint or percussion ignition, no 209 primers, and in atarditional style such as exposed hammer type lock. I no that there is a muzzleloading only season the last two weeks but it might bring outsome interest and it would be great sport to hunt in the traditionalmanner. As far as season goes why are muzzle loaders discriminatedagainst and get the two worst weeks of weather there is. How aboutsharing the sport. This may also help you reduce your deerpopulation. If your worried about buck harvest make it doe's only.

From:

Korte [tony44tiger@msn.com]

Sent:

Monday, January 19, 2009 7:45 PM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Anthony

Last Name

Korte

County

Clark

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

To Indiana Natural Resources Commission My comment as part of a comprehensive review and enchancement of fish and wildlife rules.

During early deer bow season have one weekend where hunters coulduse muzzleloaders.

I'm certain it would be a hit with hunters, and help thin the deer herd. It would also, bring extra revenue to the state. Other states already have this.

> Sincerely, Anthony E. Korte Memphis, In 47143

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From:

Griswold [sjgriz4@aol.com]

Sent:

Friday, January 16, 2009 9:42 PM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

John

Last Name

Griswold

County

Sullivan

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Shorten the firearm season by at least one week or even more, and takeit out of the "rut". Bring in a muzzeloader only weekend in September, make it a separate licence for the hunte to purchase.

From:

Versteeg [craigasteeg@aol.com] Friday, January 16, 2009 3:43 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject ischroeder@www.in.gov

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Craig

Last Name Versteeg

County Johnson

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the implementaion of an early "primitive"muzzleloader hunt. Muzzleloaders with an articulated hammer forperscussion or flintlocks with open sights only. No optics.

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From:

Versteeg [craigasteeg@aol.com]

Sent: To: Friday, January 16, 2009 3:43 PM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

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Deer

First Name

Craig

Last Name

Versteeg

County

Johnson

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the implementaion of an early "primitive"muzzleloader hunt. Muzzleloaders with an articulated hammer forperscussion or flintlocks with open sights only. No optics.

From:

Crawford [wgcrawford@purdue.edu] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:22 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Wes

Last Name

Crawford

County

Tippecanoe

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see antique calibers be allowed for deer. That is, calibers that were used in the mid to late 1800's such as the 45-70 or 38-55, etc., in single shot rifles. These rounds do not go very far, but are extremely accurate. The use of these calibers would encourage accuracy and would result in less wounded deer.

From:

Neher [sneher@peoplepc.com]

Sent:

Sunday, February 01, 2009 1:12 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Steven

Last Name

Neher

Email

sneher@peoplepc.com

County

Allen

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allow the use of Black powder cartrige rifles durring the deerfirearms season. Limit the rifles to 38-55 or larger, single shotwith external hammers and iron sights using black powder ONLY. There is a small group of people shooting such rifles in matches and itwould be fun to hunt with them also.

From:

Geyer [hooknshoot@att.net]

Sent:

Monday, March 16, 2009 11:53 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

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Deer

First Name

Kristopher

Last Name

Geyer

Email

hooknshoot@att.net

County

Indiana

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I really like the pistol cartridges in rifles for deer hunting. Iwould like to see blackpowder cartridge rifles added to the legalfirearm list.

I dont believe the ballistics are much different and there could be similar restrictions to case diameter and length. Or make themcartridge specific like handguns are.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/INCREASED RIFLE CALIBERS

From:

Smith [cruzdude01@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Thursday, February 12, 2009 7:29 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name Chris

Last Name Smith

Email cruzdude01@yahoo.com

County Putnam

State of Residence

Suggestions

In light of a study done for pennsilvanias DNR which found that sabotslugs richocet farther than rifle bullets under normal conditions, Iwould like to see real rifle calibers allowed for deer hunting inIndiana. The pistol caliber rifles are a step in the right direction, as are a number of things accomplished in the last couple of years. Personally I would like to see calibers allowed for handgun huntingdeer to be used in rifles.

Thank you for your time and effort.

Chris Smith

From:

McMillen [mcmillenbr@aol.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 22, 2009 6:19 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

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Deer

First Name

Brent

Last Name

McMillen

Email

mcmillenbr@aol.com

County

marion

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

High power rifles are allowed to hunt anything but Deer.

I recommend that high power rifles be allowed for deer hunting.

I suggest that only shotguns can be used to hunt squirrels, I havebeen in the woods where people are hunting squirrels with a .223, Ican't imagine anything more dangerous than someone shooting at asquirrel on a branch and missing, how far will that bullet fly.

From: Sent:

Harris [cubscolts76@aol.com] Friday, January 23, 2009 5:02 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Jeff

Last Name

Harris

County

clark

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

High powered rifles for deer hunting

From:

Carroll [sugarbull@aol.com]

Sent:

Monday, January 26, 2009 1:08 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Chris

Last Name Carroll

County Hendry

State of Residence FL

Suggestions

I have a suggestion on a rifle season instead of a shotgun on thedeer. I know I've heard through the years it was because of populationbut Kentucky is as populated as Indiana and they have rifle. Thankyou, Chris Carroll

From:

Sent:

Reeck [afssadmin@ai.org] Friday, February 06, 2009 9:01 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Eric

Last Name

Reeck

Email

County

Bartholomew

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allow deer hunting with a rifle in forested areas. Suggestion would be Southern Indiana. Studies have shown there is no increased risk ofbullets flying further than slugs if richochet is taken intoeffect.

From:

Jackson [jackson@ccrtc.com]

Sent:

Thursday, February 05, 2009 1:42 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

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Deer

First Name

Ron

Last Name

Jackson

Email

jackson@ccrtc.com

County

Owen

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I think it's time that Indiana hunters were given the same opportunity to hunt deer with the same firearms used in a couple of neighboringstates (KY, MI) and that is high power rifles. I don't know if it's thename (high power rifles) or what, that scares our lawmakers fromlegalizing them fdor deer, but in my opinion, a high power rifle vs. ashotgun for hunting is like a scalpel vs. a drywall saw for surgery. They are capable of excellent accuracy and the bullets most frequently expand or fragment so radically that they rarely leave the body. Indiana's hunting safety record is outstanding. Far more hunters are injured by falling from tree stands than are injured by gun accidents which proves that in general we're a pretty careful group. Not only would there be fewer lost and injured deer but an added benefit would likely be a boost to Indiana's economy. More hunters buying newrifles, and a lot more cartridges sold. Also some guys (and probablygals as well) that don't presently hunt would might take it up. I think for all the good that Indiana hunters do they should be rewarded with this added perk. If there's a doubt about safety, it could be passed with a sunset clause to allow it only for a couple of yearsuntil it's proven how well it wsorks. If you think about it, you know that it is legal to hunt predators with high power rifles, and whileno one I know does it, nor am I condoning it or suggesting it, it islegal to hunt squirrels and rabbits with high power rifles. No, wedon't need a law to prevent it, it just isn't done, or if it is therehas never been a problem. Why fix it if it isn't broken? Thank you foryour time and consideration.

From:

Rutar [rutar21@msn.com]

Sent:

Friday, January 23, 2009 11:59 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Tim

Last Name Rutar

County Morgan

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the addition of a larger caliber rifle to therifles now being used. I think it should allow the $4\overline{4}4$ marlin. This caliber doesnt have the the distance of some that are allowed now. Butit would give more power to the hunter at distances up to the 100 yardrange. It would provide a more clean kill. There would be less chanceof just wounding a deer than with the smaller sizes like the 357.

From:

ENGLAND [englandcrown1970@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:42 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

GREG

Last Name

ENGLAND

County

Marion

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I suggest that you open up rifle hunting calibers to more than just'pistol calibers'. We should be able to use any centerfire rifle orhandgun during a 'modern firearm season'. This will earn more revenue for many parties involved from gun and ammunitions manufacturers to those that sell them and to hunters who want to use them. See the Kentucky state hunting regulations for more examples of what I mean.

Thank you

Michaels, Debbie			· · ·	
From: Sent: To: Cc:	bacon [jbwhttail@aol Friday, January 16, 2 NRCFWRulesProjec jschroeder@www.in.	2009 2:47 PM t gov		
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Hunting, Trapping or Deer	Taking Mammals			
First Name joe				,
Last Name bacon				,
County Marion				
City				
State of Residence IN				
Suggestions I would like to see c	enterfire rifles added to	legal firearms duringgener	°al gun season.	
current legal firearm recent years by rule shootcenterfire cart	ol these firearms show no s.Indiana had always been changes and improvements ridges, allowing smokeless aximum rangeof Idiana's l	a state using firearms fo sto existing legal firearms powder muzzle loaders ar	r deer that wereterm that has changed. Al	ned short range, in lowing pistols to
to be taken by acent not hunters? Most de	s be a major limiting facto erfire rifle. Landowners ar eer hunting today isdone for than any of the legal fir	re allowed to use centerfi rom elevated stands and t	re rifles onout of sea: he projectile from a c	son deer permits,wh
There is no reason f	or centerfire rifles to be	restricted in deergeneral	gun season except fo	r "perception".
Thank you				
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From: Sent: To: Subject:	Keller [smk1062@aol Thursday, January 22 NRCFWRulesProject SUBSTANTIVE AME	, 2009 7:11 PM	STION FORMHu	nting, Trapping	or Taking M	lammals
Hunting, Trapping or Takii Deer	ng Mammals					
Deer		,				
First Name Scott						
Last Name Keller	·			·	•	
County Porter						
State of Residence IN						
Suggestions Rifles, Handguns for deer	hunting:					
My idea is to keep the legather the same for handguns and						
Rifles and handguns that f and a maximumcase length 1.625 inches are legal to u	of			ninimum case l	ength of 1.1	6 inches
Semi-auto firearms should to no more than 4 rounds						
This would outlaw the more effective range to 200yds	e powerful cartridges s.	- 30-06, 308win.,	etc.in both hanc	lguns and rifle	s and still li	nit the
Thanks,						· .
Scott M. Keller						
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From: Sent:

Rosswurm [I_rosswurm@yahoo.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 5:42 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name

Lynn

Last Name Rosswurm

County DeKalb

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Allow .460SW cartridge for rifle during deer season.

Thank-you

From:

Frye [mafrye@surfbest.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 7:15 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Michael

Last Name

Frye

Email

mafrye@surfbest.net

County

Clay

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Please add the .460 S & W to the list of pistol calibers legal for usein rifles while deer hunting. It's brass is just slightly too long tobe legal right now.

From:

Jones [drtrplum@earthlink.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:50 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Other

First Name

Darryll

Last Name

Jones

County

floyd

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

My suggestion would be to upgrade the firearms deer regulations forthe use of large caliber rifles. What would be the difference of using a handgun or a rifle using the same bullet? As an example, They make few different handguns that use the 45/70 gov. round. What would bewrong with using a lever action rifle that uses the same bullet? Itseems logical that the rifle would add more stability and be more accurate to shoot at distant targets. There a many large bore riflesthat have been adapted to handguns. Already some hunters are using the "CONTENDER" pistol with large bore ammunition, (legally) and using the mwith the rifle stocks attached actually making them a rifle anyway! Sowhat is the difference??? Thanks,,,D.R.Jones

From:

Shireman [jshireman@nhcs.k12.in.us] Friday, January 09, 2009 10:03 AM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Jeremy

Last Name

Shireman

Email

jshireman@nhcs.k12.in.us

County

Harrison

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like the regulations changed for the use of rifles during deerseason. Rather than having dimensions of the cartridge I think it would be better to allow any cartridge over .35 caliber. This wouldmake it easier to stay within the law and still would only allowmedium range rifles.

From:

Ruble [buyer72@comcast.net]

Sent:

Tuesday, January 13, 2009 5:46 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

J. Craig

Last Name

Ruble

Email

buyer72@comcast.net

County

Johnson

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Deer hunting is now permitted using rifles that are chambered intraditional handgun calibers such as .357 and .44. It is alsopermitted with shotguns loaded with slugs.

However, there is a rule stating that one cannot use combinationrifle/shotguns. I would suggest that this rule should be ammended such that combination guns could be used so long as BOTH components would be legal if they were used alone. In other words, a .357 over 20 ga weapon would be legal for deer hunting while a .22 over 20 gawould not (because a .22 rifle is not legal for deer hunting).

Because they come with iron sights already attached and are breakaction, the over and under combo guns are an ideal weapon for younghunters to take on their first deer hunts. If they were legal, Iwould certainly buy one for each of my two daughters.

From:

Fink [mfink@indy.rr.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 14, 2009 8:18 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mark

Last Name

Fink

Email

mfink@indy.rr.com

County

Hendricks

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allow more centerfire rifle cartridges for Deer season (firearms). Iunderstand that some of the longer range .30 calibers may not besuitable around heavily populated areas like cities and maybe acaliber restriction around those areas should be enforced.

I see no reason why some less powerful calibers like .30-30, .35 remington, ect. couldn't be allowed.

From:

Reider [blr94iowa@att.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:03 PM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brandon

Last Name

Reider

County

Hendricks

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Able to use 30/30 Rifle during deer firearms

From:

Brewer [brewand@sbcglobal.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:28 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject:

Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Andrew

Last Name

Brewer

County

Fountain

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allowing 30/30, 35rem, 45/70, 444 cal rifles for deer hunting.

From:

Redmon [sam@wcredmon.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:00 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Sam

Last Name

Redmon

Email

sam@wcredmon.com

County

Miami

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Dear Sir,

Slugs are becoming faster, pistol cartridges are being allowed inrifles and I have personally seen a "wildcat cartriddge", that meetsthe IN regulations, that shoots a 170 gr bullet over 3000 fps. Iwould like to suggest that additional rifle cartridges be allowed, atleast on private ground. Those cartridges that are in the realm of the 30-30 for instance. This would give many hunters access to riflesthey already own to be used for deer hunting. I have read about thesebullets being less of a risk than slugs for deflection, although Imust admit I do not understand this.

I think the INDNR has done a good job and we all appreciatte yougiving us a chance to voice our opinion and it is well noted that youhave made changes based on the hunters input.

Thanks.....

From:

van keppel [afssadmin@ai.org] Friday, February 13, 2009 3:16 PM

Sent:

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

dave

Last Name van keppel

Email

County jasper

State of Residence TN

Suggestions

I would like to expand our choices of calibers for firearms season. Theuse of the 30-30,.243 would help us in doe reduction and not be anyhotter than the new muzzel loaders.

From: Sent: fassett [glf4251951@comcast.net] Monday, January 26, 2009 7:04 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name greg

Last Name fassett

Email glf4251951@comcast.net

County cass

State of Residence

Suggestions

I believe that 30cal rounds should be approved for Deer hunting. Wealready have muzzel loaders that are capible of 200+ yard accuateshots. Why not approve the 30 cal rifle for Deer hunting. With the correct load and bullet this would be an ideal round for Deerharvesting. Also consider the 410 slug is nearly the same size as a30 cal round and has about the same range.

Thanks, Greg Fassett

From:

Fleischmann [soldit4@aol.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, January 27, 2009 12:37 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Paul

Last Name Fleischmann

County Fulton

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Current regulations do not permit hunting deer with a rifle/carbinethat is not of a hand gun caliber. This makes the most popularcartrige in North America (30.06) being banned. Ballstics do notsupport this ban and it is legal to us in most states and Provinces. Need to reevaluate this regulation.

From:

NEEDHAM [NEEDHAMSRULE@SBCGLOBAL.NET]

Sent:

Friday, January 30, 2009 12:09 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name EARNEST

Last Name NEEDHAM

Email

NEEDHAMSRULE@SBCGLOBAL.NET

County MARION

State of Residence

Suggestions

Please considder this;

Adding ,the old 30-30 cartridge, to the list of legal calibersallowed for deer hunting. This is hardly more powerful, accurate, orlonger ranging than shotgun [sabot] slugs or inline blackpowderrifles. It is possibly less so, than many used each year.

This is a good 150 yard cartridge and nothing more. It is a design, over 100 years old. It couldrightfully be called an antique. It was originally designed as a blackpowder cartridge and the power range has only increased marginally.

Any, other rifle calibers need not be considered. Possibly, only on private property would this be allowed.
maybe, like other states, only in the least populated counties.

Thank You,

Earnest Needham

From:

DRUMMOND [DRUMMONDFARM4320@YAHOO.COM]

Sent:

Sunday, February 01, 2009 11:52 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

ADAM

Last Name

DRUMMOND

Email

DRUMMONDFARM4320@YAHOO.COM

County

HAMILTON

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allow deer hunting with a 30-30 rifle. They don't shoot any fartherthan modern muzzle loaders, and it would be nice to have anotheroption for deer hunting. Please concider this eaven if only on private property. Tank you.

From:

Holder [mdholder1@aol.com]

Sent:

Thursday, February 05, 2009 6:08 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

Mike

Last Name

Holder

Email

mdholder1@aol.com

County

Hendricks

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I am requesting allowing the use of 30/30 rifles for deer hunting. Thereason always given in the past is Indiana is too flat, I believe most deer hunting is done in hilly terrain as most flat land is tilled forcrops. I have relitive in western KY and MO and they are as flat ormore flat than IN.

Thank you for your consideration of my request

Mike Holder

From:

Sanders [kclen@comcast.net]

Sent:

Friday, February 06, 2009 8:38 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

Lennard

Last Name

Sanders

Email

kclen@comcast.net

County

Jasper

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the 30-30 Caliber allowed in the 2009 deer huntingseason. It is a great brush gun and does not have the range of some of the new muzzloaders that are on the market now. Please this would be great for the area that the folks in Jasper county hunt in.

Thank You

Len Sanders

From:

Sanders [jsanders@nc.rr.com]

Sent:

Saturday, February 07, 2009 11:14 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

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Deer

First Name

Jason

Last Name

Sanders

Email

jsanders@nc.rr.com

County

Wake

State of Residence

NC

Suggestions

I have lived in Indiana most of my life. From the time I was bornuntil up to 3 years ago. I have hunted and fished Indiana woods andwaters since the time my Dad would take me along squirrel hunting when I was very young (it was in the '70s). He purchased my LifetimeHunting License as a gift when I was in HS. I belive that outdoorrecreation was one of the most important educations my father hasprovided me. I strongly believe that it has instilled in me therespect for all of earth's creatures, as well as a deep appreciationand respect for life in general. For that, I will be forever indebted to the IDNR for allowing all of this to happen.

I have completed post graduate training in science, and I still holdmy time hunting and fishing in Indiana with higher regard. If only it could make me a similar living.

I plan to return in the future and would love to be able to hunt deerwith my 30-30 that I have used many times out west and here out east. With the new muzzleloaders and their impressive ballistics, I see noreason why 30-30 rifles could not be used to hunt deer from treestands. The county I currenty live in allows HP rifles as long as youare a minimum of 8 feet above the ground. I think this is areasonable demand of hunters. I'm writing so that you may consider this issue and hopefully lift the current ban on this caliber of rifle.

Sincerely,

Jason L. Sanders

From:

Schultz [tims@midwaynet.nat]

Sent:

Monday, February 09, 2009 4:17 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

Tim

Last Name

Schultz

Email

tims@midwaynet.nat

County

jasper

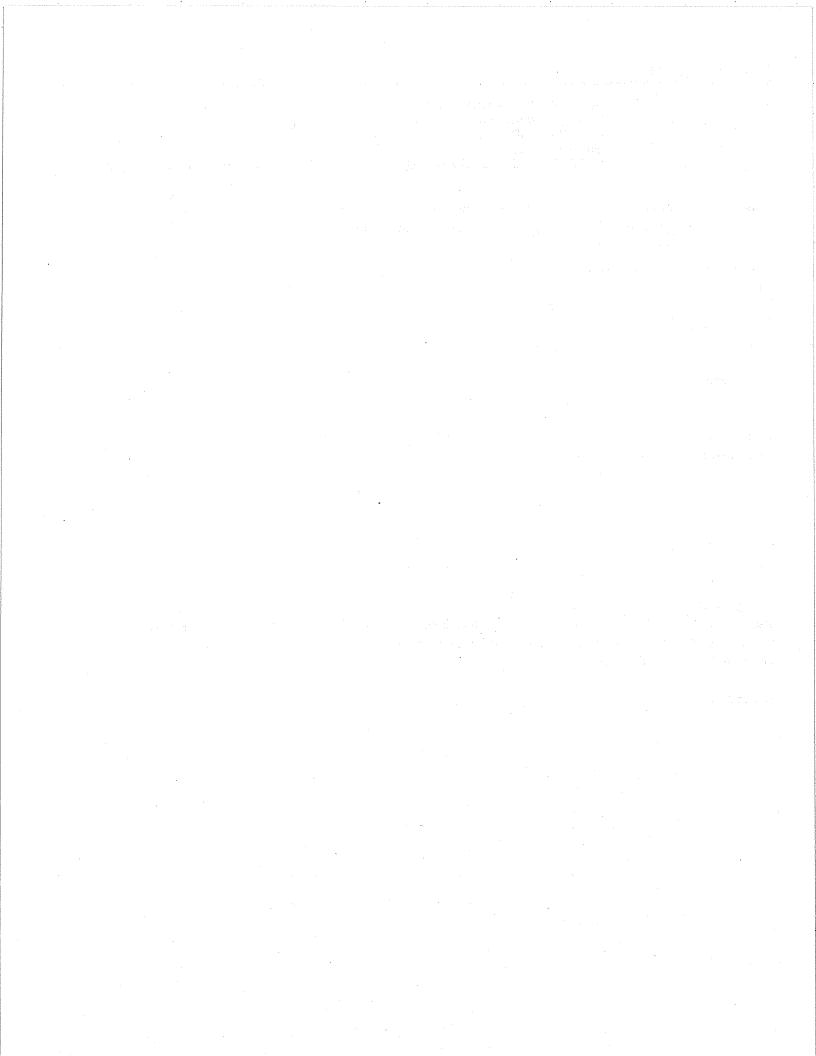
State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the firearm law for hunting deer include the 30-30caliber. for many reasons including more water proof ammo ballistics are not as much as most muzzleloaders cleaner kills easier to sight in an maintain a consistant accuracy thank you

tim Schultz



COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/CARRY & LOAD TIME REGULATION

From:

Sent:

Fink [mfink@indy.rr.com] Wednesday, January 14, 2009 8:23 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mark

Last Name

Fink

Email

mfink@indy.rr.com

County

Hendricks

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allow weapons to be loaded before or after legal shooting hours.

From:

Stookey [zstookey@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Friday, January 16, 2009 10:31 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Zach

Last Name

Stookey

County

Kosciusko

City

State of Residence

ΙN

Suggestions

This state should allow hunters to carry a bow and a firearm at thesame time during firearms season (as long as they have a liscense forboth), same in muzzleloader season too.

From:

Blumer [jrbbb@ligtel.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 9:47 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

James

Last Name

Blumer

Email

jrbbb@ligtel.com

County

noble

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

This rule should apply to the Indiana deer hunting regulations. Mostserious deer hunters arrive on stand or at their ground blind at least 30 minutes before legal shooting to allow for some quit time to settlein with nature before legal shooting time begins. At this time thehunter should be allowed to load and chamber his/her gun. Why should ahunter have to wait until legal shooting time to load a gun? By the time you load five slugs into a shotgun you will have scared awayevery deer within 200 yds. I believe 80% of all deer hunters loadbefore legal shooting time. The law needs changed to allow for aloaded firearms to be in the field 30 minutes before legal shooting time.

From: Sent: Ranz [jeffsboattops@yahoo.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 6:50 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Jeffrey

Last Name Ranz

Email jeffsboattops@yahoo.com

County Switzerland

State of Residence OH

Suggestions

I wish that we could carry a rifle when we are archery hunting fordeer and when we are turkey hunting with a shot gun. The reason is tobe able to shoot coyotes when you see them. They are usually out ofbow or shotgun range. The coyote population is out of control in Switzerland County. When you shoot a deer with your bow and wait anhour or two to track your deer , many times the coyotes have alreadygot to your deer before you get to it. Coyotes have ruined several ofour deer in the past few years.

Please give this suggestion some consideration.

Sincerely, Jeffrey T. Ranz

From:

Trine [pimpassdakota@aol.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, March 11, 2009 2:56 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

Josh

Last Name

Trine

Email

pimpassdakota@aol.com

County

Howard

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

During our deer season your allowed to carry a handgun as long as you are possesing it as a personal protection gun and have a legalpersonal protection permit, wether it be bow season, firearms, ormuzzleloader season. I like that rule, but i beleive it needs someclarification in the rules and regulations book. Along with that ruleis a question/suggestion I have. When bow hunting and even in firearmsseason I see lots and lots of squirrels. Why cant a hunter carry a .22rifle or small caliber rifle used for squirrels and small game whilethey are hunting for deer? You are allowed to carry a shotgun and amuzzleloader at the same time during the firearm season, which are 2big guns. What would it hurt to let hunters carry a small caliberrifle such as a .22 with them during deer season so they can take squirells while deer hunting if the deer activity is slow? Me, my dad, and our partner do alot of all day hunting for deer and I lose count of how many squirrels I see while in the treestand. It would be verynice to be able to take a squirrel with a small rifle while im in thedeer stand. Yes I know u could try to hit them with a bow, or takethem with a shotgun, but ask yourself how many times are you actually going to hit a squirrel with a bow? How many squirrels are you going to be able to put on the dinner table after taking them with a slug? Ido not take animals unless I am planning on processing them and eatingthem, or during trapping season selling their fur. I love hunting, trapping, and fishing and wouldn't know what to do without it. I followall rules and regulations, and if this suggestion could be madepossible, me, my dad, and our partner would GREATLY appreciate it. Thank you for your time.

From: Sent: Timmerman@prudentialhvac.com]

Thursday, January 22, 2009 9:15 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Other

First Name Mike

Last Name Timmerman

Email mtimmerman@prudentialhvac.com

County Jefferson

State of Residence KY

Suggestions

Section 32. The people shall have a right to bear arms, for thedefense of themselves and the State.

This is verbatim from the Indiana Constitution. The Indiana DNRshould review all its regulations with regards to when a hunter may ormay not possess a firearm in the field. If the DNR has any laws orregulations that say a hunter may not possess a madern firearm duringthe archery or muzzleloader seasons, those regulations and or lawswould be in violation of the Indiana Constitution and the 2ndAmendment to the federal Constitution. Indiana DNR says: "It isillegal to possess firearms while hunting deer with a bow and arrow, except for a handgun that is possessed under a personal protectionpermit." This is clearly a violation of both the Indiana and U.S.Constitutions. DNR only has statutory authority to regulate when afirearm may be USED not when it may be POSSESSED. Please contact meregarding this issue.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/CROSSBOW DURING ARCHERY SEASON

From:

krichbaum [mk123@hughes.net]

Sent:

Saturday, January 31, 2009 10:36 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Other

First Name

michael

Last Name

krichbaum

Email

mk123@hughes.net

County

warren

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see crossbows legalized for all deer archery seasonsand male as well as female deer hunting. A lot of the modern compoundbows today are just as fast if not faster than crossbows. My compoundbow shoots 340 fps and my crossbow shoots 302 fps. My crossbow isaccurate out to about 40 yards, my compound is accurate out to 70yards. It would benefit mainly my younger children who like to huntbut aren't big enough to pull back a compound yet that would be veryethical past 10 yards, although I would'nt mind using the crossbow inthe thicker woods myself. Hope this provides some food for thought. Thank you!

From:

Sent:

baum [baum59@yahoo.com] Saturday, January 24, 2009 1:24 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

blank

First Name

dave

Last Name

baum

County

starke

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

crossbows should be legal during all archery seasons.

From:

tobar [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Monday, January 26, 2009 10:45 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Other

First Name keith

Last Name tobar

County st joseph

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

allow crossbow use during all of deer bow hunt season. at leastconsider for those sixty five &up &/or disabled. late season only isvery tough on us.

From:

Sent:

Russell [afssadmin@ai.org] Tuesday, March 17, 2009 8:50 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Rick

Last Name

Russell

Email

Rcks russell@aol.com

County

Hamiltom

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allowing crossbow hunting in urban zone. These are restricted areasanyway and extra permits.

From:

Collins [dougcollins2929@att.net] Thursday, March 12, 2009 1:40 PM

Sent:

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

Doug

Last Name

Collins

Email

dougcollins2929@att.net

County

Marion

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see crossbows made legal for use in the early archeryseason. This change would allow more hunters to access the early partof the season where the weather is more favorable, and modern compoundbows are equal in performance to crossbows.

From: Sent:

Means [francism1944@yahoo.com] Monday, February 16, 2009 2:51 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name Francis

Last Name Means

Email francism1944@yahoo.com

County Kosciusko

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Legalize an early crossbow deer season for senior citizens

From:

Van Hoff [briguyjoe@msn.com]

Sent:

Friday, February 13, 2009 7:14 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name Brian

Last Name Van Hoff

Email briguyjoe@msn.com

County Clark

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

To Indiana Natural Resources commision My commemt as part of acomprehensive review and enhancement of wildlife rules. Is to legalizecrossbows for everyone to harvest deer during regular archery season. Other states have already done this with success. It would help the state and local economy. Because crossbow hunters buy licenses and hunting supplies from local sporting goods stores. It would also helpreduce the deer herd. And get more people out to enjoy the outdoors.

From:

Ringler [gringler49@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Saturday, February 07, 2009 4:11 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

Garry

Last Name

Ringler

Email

gringler49@yahoo.com

County

Kosciusko

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the crossbow season expanded to the entire archeryseason. The older I get the weaker I get. It is much harder to draw &hold a bow & I don't feel that I should try to get a doctor to say I'm"handicapped", I'm not. Maybe an exemption for folks over 60 yrs. ofage. That would greatly increase our hunting season. I have talked to others that are older and they all agree. This would no doubt lead to more crossbows & darts being sold, more revenue for the DNR, &would help with reducing the ever growing deer herd. Thanks for the space,

Garry Ringler

From: Sent: haywood [chas1953@embarqmail.com] Saturday, February 07, 2009 11:34 AM

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Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

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Deer

First Name

charles

Last Name

haywood

Email

chas1953@embargmail.com

County

kosciusko

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

my suggestion is to make it legal to use a crossbow all archery seasoni don't think it and easer to use crossbow than compound bow with abad shoulder it hard to practice like i want but not bad enough to geta handicap permit

From: Sent:

Ralph Perry [afssadmin@ai.org] Friday, January 30, 2009 1:48 PM

To:

nrcrules

Subject:

Consolidated NRC-OEA Hearings

Name: Ralph Perry

City/County: Terre Haute- Vigo

State: Indiana

Organization: person

Comments: I would like to see the cross bow legalized for all seasons and anyhunter. I believe that will keep some older hunters in the fieldlonger and may even bring in some out of state hunters. Which in turnwill help the economy of Indiana.

I would like to see a study of the Terre Haute area made as to urbanhunting.

FIELDS NOT DEFINED IN THE TEMPLATE FOLLOW

From:

Bowyer [sladeduce@live.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, February 03, 2009 4:25 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

Larry

Last Name

Bowyer

Email

sladeduce@live.com

County

DeKalb

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Consider moving the Crossbow season from it's present time frame to the early season with the regular bow season. In talking with several of my hunting friends who are over 65 yrs.old, it is becoming harder to pull that compound bow string. Ourshoulder joints no longer can do this. To give up the early season, and enjoy the warm autumn days, to sit in the cold is not good or fun asit once was.. With more and more deer, trying to control the deer population, helping to contol cropdamage, as well auto damage for the insurance industry, it would make alot of sense to include the crossbow in the early season, and stoplistening to the Indiana Bow Association and others....

We have long bows, recurve bows, 6 wheel compound bows, and 2 wheelcompound bows. I have heard the same reasons not to have the recurvebow when it came out, the same reasons not to have the compound bowwhen it first became available.... ie, it would shoot farther, killmore deer, but so far this is not happened. Stop listening to a fewand help out your older hunters to still enjoy the sport as we use tobut just another way.

From:

Echert [dwecher@hotmail.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, February 03, 2009 10:31 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Cc: Subject:

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Deer

First Name

David

Last Name

Echert

Email

dwecher@hotmail.com

County

Gibson

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Allow crossbows during all archery seasons. The crossbow is just"primitive" as today's compound bows.

From:

harney [tlharney@embarqmail.com]

Sent:

Sunday, February 01, 2009 10:16 AM

To: Subject:

NRCFWRulesProject

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SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

troy

Last Name

harney

Email

tlharney@embargmail.com

County

kosciusko

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

i thinnk indiana should make cross bow legal during all archeryseasons, i believe it would bring more youth & adults into huntingtherefore bringing more revenue to you. Also it is a fact, more & morestates are passing this law every year. I do alot of archery & takedeer every year with my bow & i also have a crossbow. I think it wouldbe a good thing to do. TROY HARNEY 2/01/2009

From: Sent:

Chaney [nchaney_4964@fuse.net] Saturday, January 31, 2009 10:28 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Nathanael

Last Name

Chaney

Email

nchaney_4964@fuse.net

County

Butler

State of Residence

OH

Suggestions

I believe crossbows should be allowed during the entire archeryseason. I used to hunt exclusively with a compound bow, but now due to a busy work schedule, a family, and lack of practice time haveswitched to a crossbow. I have found I am much more accurate with the crossbow than I ever was with the compound, thus giving me the bestchance for a clean, ethical deer harvest. The crossbow has the sameshort range limitations out to 40-50 yards as a vertical bow, itslimbs are simply horizontal and it shoots a shorter arrow.

From:

Dye [dyeclan@mac.com]

Sent:

Friday, January 30, 2009 10:33 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Frank

Last Name Dye

Email dyeclan@mac.com

County Carroll

State of Residence OH

Suggestions

As a citizen of Ohio and neighbor, I can only encourage you to fullyinclude crossbows in your archery season. They are a legitimate andvaluable management tool as proven in my home state and others. Please review the facts and be prepared to counter emotional arguments with rational ones. As hunter numbers decline, any possibility of increasing our numbers and the healthy management of our resources should be employed.

Regards,

Frank R. Dye

From:

Cash [bcash27720@aol.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 29, 2009 8:40 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Brad

Last Name Cash

Email bcash27720@aol.com

County Hamilton

State of Residence IN

Suggestions Dear Sirs,

I have been hunting whitetail deer for over 20 years in Indiana. Inthe last few years as my sons have grown I purchased bows for themwhile purchasing a crossbow for myself. It would be nice to be able tohunt early bow season with my sons, as I do not hunt with a regularbow.

It is my understanding the states surrounding Indiana have a crossbowseason that runs with the regular bow season.

I recommend running the crossbow season with the regular bow season.

From: Sent:

dewitt [dewitttool@hotmail.com] Thursday, January 29, 2009 3:13 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name

Last Name dewitt

Email dewitttool@hotmail.com

County grant

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

i would like to see the state allow crossbow's to be used by anyoneduring regular bow season.

From:

Sent:

Arthur [snparthur60@aol.com] Thursday, January 29, 2009 12:38 PM NRCFWRulesProject

To:

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name

Scott

Last Name Arthur

County Vigo

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to see crossbow use for EVERYONE during the OCT. archeryseason.

From: Sent:

Fenchak [mickey3fin@yahoo.com] Thursday, January 29, 2009 11:45 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Michael

Last Name Fenchak

County Marian

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I am an archery hunter. I enjoy my bow very much, but have recentlyacquired a crossbow as well.

With the advances in compound bow sighting and equipment, thecompound bow is very close to, if not at the same level of technologyas the cross bow is. I consider them equal as weapons, and believethat each has its own unique skill set requirement to master each ofthese tools.

I would like to see the cross bow season expanded to be included inboth archery seasons, early and late.

Neighboring states to Indiana have recently expanded their cross bowseason, and I would like very much for Indiana to at least considerthis as well.

Thank you for your time-

Michael Fenchak 6530 Blossom Lane (N) Indianapolis, Indiana 46278

From: Sent: Brown [MLLBROWN@STARBAND.NET] Thursday, January 29, 2009 9:35 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals
Deer

First Name Michael

Last Name Brown

County Scott

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I do not understand the discrimination against crossbows in deerhunting or in using archery for rough fish.

Crossbows are more primative than modern compound bows. They do notshoot any faster, go any further or aim any quicker than compoundbows. I feel crossbows should be legal without a handicap permit forall hunting and fishing where archery equipment is allowed.

From: Sent:

Hardwick [bvhardwick@hughes.net] Monday, January 26, 2009 2:24 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Bobby

Last Name Hardwick

County Martin

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

To: Natural Resources Commission

I am writing this comment to ask that Crossbows be allowed for allarchery seasons in the State of Indiana.

I have been hunting with a crossbow for 4 years now due to adisability and have come to the conclusion that they should be allowedfor the rest of the hunting population that would chose to usethem.

I have found that the difference between a Crossbow and Compounds tovery minimal.

In fact I have found several things that I consider to be adisadvantage when hunting with a crossbow, they are very heavy and ifyou miss the chances of a second shot are almost zero. They also do not blend in with the woods as well as a Compound bow.

Allowing the use of Crossbows during all archery seasons would enablemore kids and women to enjoy the sport of archery hunting.

I have 2 daughters that are unable to draw a conventional 35 Lbcompound bow that enjoy hunting but are limited to firearms seasonsdue to there small stature.

Allowing them to use a crossbow during early archery season would greatly enhance their appreciation and desire for the sport.

Crossbows would also allow older hunters to extend their huntingcareers as many of them would have to give up archery hunting earlydue the natural degradation of their bones and muscles.

By allowing Crossbows and therefore allowing more people to hunt therevenue generated for the IDNR would increase along with other revenuefor the state in the form of Lodging, Gas and Restaurants.

Other states (Ohio being one) have allowed crossbows for some timenow and have only seen positive results from them.

Again Please consider making the use of Crossbows legal for allarchery seasons.

Thank you for taking my comment

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bvhardwick@hughes.net

From: Sent:

Grotzer [groconet-info@yahoo.com] Friday, January 23, 2009 5:30 PM NRCFWRUISProject

To:

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Stefan

Last Name

Grotzer

County

Johnson

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Crossbow should be allowed throughout the whole archery season.

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From:

conwell [cd4061@hotmail.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 22, 2009 8:40 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

chris

Last Name conwell

County henry

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to suggest that crossbows can be used during any archeryseason. myself and others have minor medical problems that hinder our hunting with compound bows, but its not severe enough to qualify for a disability permit. I would rather take a shot with a crossbow than acompound.

From:

Sent:

hazen [razenhaze@yahoo.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 7:58 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Randy

Last Name

hazen

County

marshall

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

allow crossbow for all archery seasons

From: Sent:

Howes [arnie.howes@duke-energy.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 8:39 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Arnie

Last Name

Howes

Email

arnie.howes@duke-energy.com

County

Gibson

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Increase days afield by allowing recurve/longbow ONLY hunting from September 7 to October 1.

This will give Indiana a TRUE primitive weapons hunt. Muzzleloadingand bowhunting are no longer primitive. (I'd love to see one week of the muzzleloader season changed to flintlock only, but that's anotherstory...)

Thanks!

From:

eley [greley@taylor.edu]

Sent:

Thursday, February 12, 2009 9:02 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name greq

Last Name

eley

Email
greley@taylor.edu

County Grant

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Please allow use of crossbow for harvesting deer during shotgunseason. It is a lesser weapon than shotgun, handgun, ormuzzleloader.

From:

Moore [gunslinger94@aol.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 6:34 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Follow Up Flag:

Follow up

Flag Status:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Garland

Last Name Moore

Email gunslinger94@aol.com

County Vanderburgh

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Allow the use of crossbows during all ofthe urban deer zone dates

From: Sent:

Pearson [indeerhunt@aol.com] Friday, January 23, 2009 8:16 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Jason

Last Name Pearson

County Clark

State of Residence

Suggestions

Crossbows should be legal during all of the deer seasons.

From:

stine [cwstine@bsu.edu]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 8:43 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name

charles

Last Name stine

Email cwstine@bsu.edu

County delware

State of Residence · IN

Suggestions

The use of crossbows durning the early archery so the youth andwomen would be more involed.

From: Sent:

Williams [asats@wowway.com] Friday, January 23, 2009 3:48 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Clarence

Last Name Williams

County Warrick

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

One of several states considering allowing crossbows in their fullarchery seasons is Pennsylvania. The Pennsylvania Game Commission willbe meeting on January 27trh to vote on this subject.

The NRA has issued an alert. It is follows...

Your Help is Needed to Expand Hunting Opportunities in the KeystoneState!

Wednesday, January 21, 2009

Please Contact the Pennsylvania Game Commission Today!

Over the last several years, there has been a growing debateconcerning the use of crossbows in Pennsylvania. On Tuesday, January27, the Pennsylvania Game Commission will be voting on a proposal thatwould make Pennsylvania the twelfth state to allow the use ofcrossbows during the state archery season.

The Commission will take public remarks on Sunday, January 25 at 1:00p.m. The doors will open at noon and you must register at that time tospeak at the hearing. The Commission will again take public remarks onMonday, January 26 at 8:30 a.m. The doors will open at 7:45 a.m. and, again, you must sign up to voice your opinion. To view a copy of theagenda, please click here.

NRA strongly advocates for any expansion of hunter opportunity andchoice when there is no biological reason to oppose the expansion. Infact, states that have allowed the use of crossbows have been able tomaintain healthy wildlife populations. Additionally, the recruitmentand retention of hunters

From: Sent: Wright [mindyandjeff@zoomtown.com] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:38 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Jeffrey

Last Name

Wright

Email

mindyandjeff@zoomtown.com

County

Hamilton

State of Residence

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Suggestions

I have a permanent physical disability that limits me to use acrossbow during archery season. I would like to see a 1-time approvalinstead of me having my doctor fill out a form each year. My doctorcharges \$20 to fill out the disability form.

Thanks!

Jeff Wright

From:

Brown [mabbrown@verizon.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:11 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mike

Last Name

Brown

Email

mabbrown@verizon.net

County

Jackson

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

To Whom it may concern,

May I suggest a new law on Crossbow hunting? My suggestion is to allow crossbows during all deer hunting seasons to anyone owning acrossbow. Let the law stay in effect that only a hunter with ahandi-cap permit may take a Buck, but the others may take anantlerless deer during first season as well as second season of archery season. This would help also in controlling the deerpopulation, along with letting the non handi-cap crossbow hunter's toenjoy the first season as well.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerally,

Mike Brown

From:

Meredith [a.meredith@insightbb.com]

Sent: To: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:42 PM

Cc:

NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Tony

Last Name

Meredith

County

Gibson

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

To allow archery hunters the use of a crossbow, (regardless of health, age, etc.) not just during the late archery season, but through theentire season, even through the firearm season. I have been toldthere have been several petitions signed and sent in to the DNR referring to this. Here are some facts that I gathered from the following website; www.crossbowed.org/images/Crossbow%20Dyn%209-15-08.pdf

Some Facts:

Since Ohio first legalized crossbows in 1976 through the 2003-04season:

â[] \$\pi\$ 19 accidents involving crossbows;

â 15 of these incidents were self-inflicted.

â🛮 🗘 12 vertical bow incidents during the same period; with

âD¢ 7 of these being self-inflicted.

â📭 Rate of accidents for both types of archery is well below 1occurance per

1 million trips

Source: Ortman, W. M. (2007). Archery incidents in Ohio, 1976-2006. Unpublished data, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife, Columbus, Ohio.

Ohio - During a five-year period in the 1990âlls;

âll¢ 633 hunting implements were seized by wildlife officers.

âll Firearms accounted for 95%;

âll Vertical bows accounted for 2.7%; and

âll¢ Crossbows accounted for 2.2%.

Ohio - 2001 - 02 Hunting Season:

âll¢ Crossbow Hunters - 15% Success Rate

âll¢ Vertical Bow Hunters - 15% Success Rate

Harvest of Wildlife in Georgia
2003 âll 2004 Crossbow Discussion
âll 2003 - 04 season was the second year of general crossbow use.
Previously permitted for hunters with certified disabilities
âll Increase in archery deer hunters + 11.6%
âll Increase in archery deer harvest + 44.3%
âll Increase in crossbow hunters + 55.3%
âll Increase in deer harvest with a crossbow + 168.0%
âll Crossbow hunters represented 24.8% of archery hunters
âll Crossbow harvests represented 9.1% of all hunters
âll Crossbow harvests represented 21.8%% of archery harvests
âll Crossbow harvests represented only 2.6% of all harvests

2003-2004 Crossbow Experience
âll¢ 13.5% of respondents previously used crossbows under the handicaprule
âll¢ 31.1% of respondents had no prior experience using archeryequipment
for hunting - approximately 6,900 hunters
âll¢ Success rate for compound bow hunters + .51 deer per hunter
âll¢ Success rate for crossbow hunters + .49 deer per hunter
âll¢ Estimated increase in archery hunters + 9,300
âll¢ Approximately half (46.4%) of new archers using crossbows were
over 50 year old

FACTS:

âll¢ VA Total Archery Hunters: 74,496 âll¢ VA Archery Growth Rate +21.1% (61,495 to 74,496 in one year) âll¢VA Crossbow Hunters: 19,605 (Crossbows: 26% of archery license sales in two years) Source: Virginia

Maryland Annual Deer Harvest Report Season 05/06 06/07 07/08 Bow 21,382 21,991 22,064 Crossbow 3,174 3,342 3,585 Total 94,052 91,930 92,208

From:

banes [mike_banes02@yahoo.com] Sunday, January 18, 2009 5:14 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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First Name

mike

Last Name

banes

County

tippecanoe

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

It is my opinion that the law allowing the use of crossbows to harvesteither sex of deer once firearms season opens should be reconsidered. The current law states that a hunter can use both firearm and a bowduring firearm season, however the use of a crossbow is only allowedduring late archery and only for a doe. It is understandable to differentiate the two seasons, but the law should state that the useof crossbow is allowed during late archery as well as during firearmand to harvest either sex.

Thank you for your consideration!

From:

Apple [dan.apple@insightbb.com] Sunday, January 18, 2009 8:58 AM NRCFWRulesProject

Sent:

To:

jschroeder@www.in.gov

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Dan

Last Name

Apple

County

Scott

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Crossbows should be legal equipment during ALL archery seasons. Shortrange rifles (brush rifles) that are similiar in balistics to a 12 gauge shotgun should also be legal equipment. The 444 Marlin and 45-70 are two examples.

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:	NRCFWRulesP jschroeder@ww	y 18, 2009 7:26 AM roject	ESTION FORM	ИHunting, Trappir	ıg or Taking Man	nmals
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First Name Steven						
Last Name Miller				•	·	
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Suggestions I beleive that it is time years ago some feltthat two years of Archery be 49 years old and worn o	t you shouldn't be d ecause it just plain	allowed to use a comp	ound bow bece	eause it was toea	sy. I skipped the	e last
Thank you. Steve						
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From:

Sent:

Fink [mfink@indy.rr.com] Wednesday, January 14, 2009 8:19 PM NRCFWRulesProject

To:

Subject:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mark

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Suggestions

Allow crossbows for all archery seasons.

From:

Olson [jhnolson@comcast.net]

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Wednesday, January 14, 2009 2:06 PM

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First Name

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Last Name

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County Monroe

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Suggestions

My suggestion is to legalize the crossbow for the entire archeryseason. There are several advantages: Allowing crossbows would openup the archery season to many more people that do not choose to huntwith the current archery equipment. The early archery season weatheris much more hospitable to hunters and would get more hunters into thewoods. The popularity of crossbow hunting in Ohio has expanded from avery small number to a number that is equal or larger than the regulararchery hunters. The increase in days of hunting would not only pleasethe gun hunter who would like to use a crossbow to expand his seasonbut also provide the archer with the opportunity to try his skill with other weapons. With the current âlllone buck ruleâll, there wouldbe no increase in the number of bucks killed per hunter but it wouldoffer hunter more time in the woods to harvest a buck. The legalization would bring about an increase in license salesbecause of the gun hunter buying an additional archery license. Whilethis increase would not occur immediately, it would happen. TheDivision could set up another license but I would not advise thisbecause the current very restrictive season is conducted under theauspices of the regular archery deer license.

Ohio has not found any harmful effects of the crossbow on the deerherd. They have continued to liberalize their seasons.

From:

christopher [antiwheeze@excite.com] Tuesday, January 13, 2009 4:53 PM NRCFWRulesProject

Sent: To:

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

john

Last Name christopher

Email

antiwheeze@excite.com

County

marion

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

allow crossbows for the taking of deer after the 15th of October until the end of deer season

From: Sent: Houseworth Jr. [bobh@sciremc.com] Friday, January 09, 2009 8:43 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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First Name

Bob

Last Name Houseworth Jr.

Email bobh@sciremc.com

County Morgan

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

It's time to loosen-up the restrictions on crossbow hunting in Indianaand allow it's use during the entire archery season. The last archeryseason is tough hunting due to the fridiged weather & deer goingnocturnal from firearms hunting pressure.

Crossbow hunters such as myself still have the same challanges asvertical bow hunters in getting deer close enough for good cleankills.

Older folks that quit deer hunting do so mainly due to such things asbad shoulder & back joints that are not necessarly disabeling. Pooreyesight is another big factor. This demgraphic grouptypically has the extra time and money to spend on deer hunting. It'ssad that this IDNR & local business revenue generating group has tofall by the wayside just because they are aging.

There have not been any long-term bonus antierless tag reductions as whole in Indiana so lower deer herd numbers cannot be the issue. If you want the numbers of deer killed per the biologists recommendations why limit the tools & timing to accomplish these goals?

I have not read anything negative anywhere that the states allowingcrossbows the entire archery season are wanting to go back to crossbowseason limitations.

Lobbying by our local Indiana bowhunting "traditionalists" does not speak for many of us that do not belong to such special interest groups that want to force their convictions & limitations on our hunting opportunities. Thanks for you time on this very important issue.

BH

From:

lewis [jason@silvercreekwater.org] Friday, January 09, 2009 9:46 AM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

jason

Last Name

lewis

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jason@silvercreekwater.org

County

clark

State of Residence

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Suggestions

Could you look at the opition of taking your crossbow or bow duringarchery season.

From:

Shireman [jshireman@nhcs.k12.in.us]

Sent:

Friday, January 09, 2009 10:06 AM

To:

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Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Jeremy

Last Name

Shireman

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jshireman@nhcs.k12.in.us

County

Harrison

State of Residence

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Suggestions

I think crossbows should be legal during any season for youths, womenand seniors. We are at a point now where hunter recruitment is very important to the survival of the sport. These are three groups wherewe need to focus to get new hunters and to keep them huntinglonger.

From:

Williams [asatsi@wowway.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 08, 2009 5:07 PM

To: Cc:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

jschroeder@www.in.gov SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Clarence

Last Name

Williams

County

Warrick

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

EXPANSION OF CROSSBOW HUNTING IN INDIANA

As a long time Indiana hunter and bowhunter (40 years) I wouldappreciate it if the Natural Resources Commission and the IndianaDepartment of Natural Resources would consider allowing deer huntersthe choice of using a crossbow for deer hunting in the entire archeryseason.

Seven years ago, because of a shoulder problem, I had to begin using a crossbow for hunting deer. I was pleased that the crossbow is a finehunting tool on a par with the compound bow that is used by 95% of the bowhunters today. There is very little difference, if any, between the two hunting tools.

In the past I was like so many of todayâlls bowhunters in believingthat the crossbow had no place in the archery season. There is nothinglike a disabling injury to change oneâlls perspective. I have foundthat the crossbow is a fine hunting tool that needs to take itsrightful place in hunting.

A majority of hunters in one of the last deer hunter surveys (2005) conducted by the IDNR stated that they would like to have the choiceof hunting with a crossbow in all of archery season.

Some of the results from the 2005 survey for crossbow usage are:

In early archery season:

45% supports the crossbow usage 39% oppose crossbow usage

In any season in which archery equipment is used:

49.5% supports crossbow usage 34.8% oppose crossbow usage

I am fully aware that this is a hot ticket item with some bowhunters. But I have seen from other states that have recently expanded or legalized crossbow season that the opposition quickly dissipates after a year or two of crossbow hunting seasons.

In 2005 Tennessee legalized crossbows for all of their archeryseason.

The Tennessee Wildlife Resources conducted a hunter survey thefollowing year about the impact of the crossbow legalization. Theresults were as follows:

Question âll Did the legalization of crossbows in 2005 affect yourhunting experience in any way during the season?

Yes âUU 8.1% No âUU 91.2% DonâUUt know - 0.7%

Respondents who said legalization of crossbows affected their hunting experience were asked: Did you have a positive or negative experience with crossbows?

Positive - 48.6% Negative âlli 39.8% Donâllit know âlli 13.6%

As you can see, a year or two after crossbow legalization it becomes the Shakespearean âlllMuch ado about nothingâll as people just gohunting.

CROSSBOW INFORMATION

- 1. The modern hunting crossbow delivers about the same ballistic performance with a 500-grain arrow/broadhead combination as a 65-70 pound compound bow.
- 2.Like a vertical bow, the crossbow launches an arrow by a forwardmovement of limbs and string. The limbs (drawweight) on a crossbowmust be heavier because the power stroke is so much shorter than thatof a modern compound bow.
- 3. The comparison of not having to âlladraw in the presence of gameâllas negated by high let off compounds that can be drawn and held forminutes and are usually shot from tree stands or completely enclosed ground blinds.
- 4. Crossbows have proven to be a good recruitment tool for bringingyouth and women into hunting. They are good for retaining olderhunters longer too. We need to recruit more hunters or hunting willdie a slow death.
- 5.Crossbow hunting opportunity has proven to serve managementprograms in urban/suburban areas (where firearms use is restricted orillegal) with high deer herd concentrations.
- 6.After 34 seasons in the state of Ohio, crossbow hunters have provento be just as safe and ethical as vertical bow hunters are.
- 7. Like any other shooting skill, using a crossbow safely andaccurately will require a combination of old and well learnedknowledge as well as new information specific to the weapon.
- 8. Most crossbow safety is obvious and relates to common sense issuetaught during a fundamental hunter education training session.

- 9. Crossbows have been described as being more like a rifle thanhandbows. While crossbows are indeed aimed like a rifle, they lack thenoise, flash, odor, recoil, range, accuracy and kinetic energy of ahunting rifle. They are archery equipment.
- 10. Through license fees, retail sales-- crossbows and accessories and all other sister products needed (tree stands, camo clothing, scents etc.) and hunting recreational travel expenditures incurred, this increased hunting opportunity offers positive financial impact for the state.

I believe that it would be a shame to deny the usage of a crossbowwhen:

- 1) The State of Indiana needs to trim the ever expanding deer herds.
- 2) The State could use the extra revenue provided by crossbow deer tagsales 3) The State could use the extra revenue provided by tax moneys from the purchase of more hunting related items.
- 4) We need to stop the declining hunters numbers. Especially bowhunternumbers.
- 5)Older hunters (65+), women and youths can then take part in thearchery season with an adequate archery hunting tool.

The legalization of crossbows for hunting is a WIN-WIN for the Stateof Indiana.

Thank you for your consideration,

Clarence H. Williams 5799 Spring Corner Rd. Newburgh, IN 47630-1961 Home - (812) 490-5250

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Potratz [bpotratz@msn.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 08, 2009 5:01 PM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

blank

First Name

Bryan

Last Name

Potratz

County

LaPorte

City

State of Residence

ΙN

Suggestions

Given the advances in modern Cammed Compound bows, there seems to meto be little reason to restrict crossbows to Late Season Only.

In fact, I see them as a net positive in Urban Management where the windows of shot opportunity can be significantly smaller than in less congested areas.

Too, Crossbows in the Early season will help retain Older hunters forwhom Cold and Draw Hold are a restricting factor.

I support opening all Archery seasons to Crossbow use.

From: Sent:

Engelking [whitetaildave24@yahoo.com] Thursday, January 08, 2009 4:54 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

David

Last Name Engelking

County Johnson

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see crossbows allowed in the early archery season aswell as the rest of the season as they already are. I believe that crossbows are great to recruit kids and women into hunting as well as retaining those older hunters who can no longer pull back a compound. The crossbow has been proven to be a great deer management tool and states that allow crossbows in the early season have seen nothing but positive results. The differences between a crossbow and a compoundare very minimal and I see nothing but positive things for the stateif they were added to early archery. I believe adding crossbows toearly archery will help the state and other hunting related businesses their revenues due to more archery license sales and of course the selling of the crossbow and accessories and the extra moneyspent at restaurants, gas stations, etc.

From: Sent:

Heller [Idheller2001@yahoo.com] Friday, January 23, 2009 7:13 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMSpecial Permits and Licenses

Special Permits and Licenses

Other

First Name

Larry

Last Name

Heller

County

Noble

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

My suggestion is to allow choice of either a Doe or a Buck on yourDeer Licence to limit ones licence to just a buck during shot gunseason limits a lot of does being harvasted this would allow more deerbeing harvasted and not killed on the highways

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/ANTLER RESTRICTIONS

From:

Love [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Wednesday, February 04, 2009 10:49 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob
SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Chris

Last Name

Love

Email

County

Warrick

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I believe Indiana should enact new antler restrictions. I am beyondtired of seeing button bucks and spikes being killed. For trophyhunters, like myself, it is a real depressing and frustrating momentevery time I see this happen. Multiple states have enacted such regulations and I believe if done right it could not only increasehunter's opportunities to harvest trophy bucks but also increase Indiana's hunting license sales.

Therefore, meat-hunters are restricted from harvesting button bucksand spikes and in turn would harvest does.

There is also the option of a "doe for a buck" program, whichmultiple states have also enacted.

From:

Brandon [pull.the.trigger@live.com]

Sent:

Saturday, January 31, 2009 9:43 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Aaron

Last Name

Brandon

Email

pull.the.trigger@live.com

County

Dekalb

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the buck regulations changed. I think if huntersshoot a buck with at least 4 points on 1 side first, then they should be allowed a 2nd buck tag for any size buck. If the first buck shotdid not have 4 points on 1 side, then the hunter would not be allowed 2nd buck tag.

I think this would help both "Trophy" hunters and "Meat" huntersbecause they would both have to be more patient with shooting a buck. The "meat" hunters would be able to add another buck to their freezersto feed their families in this tough economical times. And the "trophy" hunters would help to keep the taxidermists in business bypotentially doubling their business each season.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a suggestion. I am an avidedeer hunter and will continue to be one as it is a hobby that Iquickly fell in love with.

From:

Reed [cmreed70@msn.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 22, 2009 8:04 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals
Deer

First Name Chris

Last Name Reed

Email cmreed70@msn.com

County Jhonson

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to see Indiana go to a hunting system like Illinois, KY, OHfor more larger mature deer. Or at least move foward with a antlerrestriction of 6 points

From:

Egenolf [Egenolf_Douglas_B@Lilly.com] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 9:34 AM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name Douglas

Last Name Egenolf

County Marion

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Put a six point minimum on antler deer taken. In some counties thefour extra doe tags is ridiculous and needs to be stopped. Up theshooting, trapping of all predators in the state. You need to add aseason for hunting so many redtail hawks. You need to give the treehuggers one of the people parks we have and then take the other parksover to manage them correctly for the animals. Close off some of theroads and make the state forests bigger. Fields will be planted tosell crops to make ethanol and edges managed for wildlife. Woodsharvested to make money to pay for stadiums, etc. and managed forwildlife. This will help save the endangered species that are goingaway in an alarming hurry. It will also make money in the process, awin win situation. If this is not done you will only lose more andmore species in the State of Indiana. I am getting ready to spend5,000.00 in the state of Montana that I would really love to spendhere and save wear and tear on my truck and time traveling. Thanks foryour time. Douglas B. Egenolf

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/BAN SPOTLIGHTING

From:

clymer [f10clymer@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, February 10, 2009 7:16 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

chris

Last Name

clymer

Email

f10clymer@yahoo.com

County

daviess

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Ban spotlighting. I feel that by prohibiting spotlighting alot ofpoaching can be deterred. I live in a rural area of daviess county and for about 6 months a year all you can see at night is spotlights. Although I actually really enjoy spotlighting myself. I feel that ithas become out of control for several reasons. First is a large amount of poaching. Second, the animals never are left alone to feed or bedwithout being disturbed they are consantly harassed. Third, it temptsalot of hunters that see big bucks to trespass onto that property withno respect to other hunters. Fourth, with increasing rural areas being populated by people, it is a nuisance to have lights shined in their windows all night and reflects badly upon all hunters and sportsmen. Idon't want to sound hypocrital because I enjoy seeing some matureanimals that would not be seen in the day but I feel the time has comeand this would be the best thing for our sport at this time. I feel the animals need a break from the constant pressure Thanks ChrisClymer

From:

Engelbrecht [msengelb@gmail.com] Monday, March 16, 2009 3:53 AM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Marie

Last Name

Engelbrecht

Email

msengelb@gmail.com

County

Hancock

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I believe that there should be a fine or some sort of penalty(revoking hunting licenses, for example) for people who drive aroundspotlighting deer on other people's private property, especially afterthey've been told that they're not allowed to hunt there. It'sharassment, if nothing else.

From:

McCammon [mlogging13@peoplepc.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 10:13 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brian

Last Name

McCammon

County

Sullivan

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Make spotlighting for deer illegal. this will make it harder forpoachers.

From:

Sides [jamessides@seidata.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 7:40 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals blank

First Name james

Last Name Sides

Email jamessides@seidata.com

County jefferson

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

outlaw spotlighting period. im tired of losing our; my; deer tospotlighters give the dnr an edge when they hear of spotlighting thelaw is being broke and a arrest can be made

From:

Hoffman [nateandaimi@psci.net] Thursday, January 15, 2009 8:41 PM

Sent:

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Nathan

Last Name

Hoffman

Email

nateandaimi@psci.net

County

Perry

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Make it illegal while any deer season is open to spotlight deer.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/DEPRIDATION

From: Sent: Herman [shtruevalue@verizon.net] Friday, January 23, 2009 8:24 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Dana

Last Name

Herman .

County

steuben

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Do away with depridation hunts in the summer, make 1st gun licensegood for either sex,(same as archery license), lower cost of bonus tagsto \$5. The cost does not affect me as I have a lifetime, but it isaffecting alot of hunters, that may be why the number of hunters isdeclining. By the time they spend the money for licenses, and processing it's cheaper to go buy beef!!

From:

paul [duckpaul@hotmail.com]

Sent:

Sunday, February 01, 2009 12:59 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

donald

Last Name

paul

Email

duckpaul@hotmail.com

County

vanderburg

State of Residence

ΙN

Suggestions

do away completly with depredatation tags they are very much abusedlike shotting bucks which makes no sence to me. or at least make itdoes only.

From:

Antrup [tdhunter@verizon.net]

Sent:

Tuesday, January 13, 2009 12:17 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMSpecial Permits and Licenses

Special Permits and Licenses

blank

First Name

Tammy

Last Name

Antrup

Email

tdhunter@verizon.net

County

Steuben

State of Residence

ΙN

Suggestions

I would like to see some changes to the whitetail depredation seasonand regulations. 1. Move the season back to after the regular huntingseason is over. 2. Only does should be killed, (we have the "One BuckLaw for the purpose of producing larger bucks). 3. If a depredation shooter does not want the deer, it should be donated or processed and not wasted by burying or burning it. 4. High powered rifles should not be legal. They are not legal for regular deer seasons, so why are they allowed during depredation seasons? It seems to me that they would be more dangerous when leaves are still on the trees and no one is wearing hunter orange.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/OVER POPULATION

From:

Sent:

kabat [joe_kabat@att.net] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:05 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

joe

Last Name

kabat

Email

joe_kabat@att.net

County

hamilton

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

have a deer over population problem--do a anterless only hunt injanuary as illinois does in selected counties

Kane, Jennifer

From: Sent:

Shaver [shaverforestry@yahoo.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 11:20 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Dan

Last Name Shaver

Email shaverforestry@yahoo.com

County Bartholomew

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Deer populations are still to high in Indiana. Fish and Wildlifeshould consider making it legal to commercially sell deer meat. Prohibiting the comercial sale of deer meat was necessary at one time. Today, a program could be set up where a hunter could register if theywanted to sell their harvested deer commercially. They would have totake deer to processors willing to process and sell deer meatcommercially. Deer would have to have a valid state tag associated with the carcass.

This would serve two purposes. Encourage hunters to harvest moredeer. Provide some economic return to hunters that spend a lot ofmoney on licenses, equiptment and hunting products. The other beneiftmight be the impact it would have on deer farms that are specificallyraising deer for meat. These farms are proven to increase the spreadof disesase to native deer populations and are fraught with problems related to illegal hunting and ethical issues. Commercializing thesale of wild deer meat might force these businesses out of business.

Please e-mail if you have questions. Dan Shaver

Kane, Jennifer

From:

sopko [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Monday, January 26, 2009 6:44 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name jim

Last Name sopko

Email

County laporte

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

i wish there could somthing more done to eliminate the problem of thedeer and the damgge they are doing to our plants, shrubs, gardens&flowers.

From: Sent:

Forgue [booboosrowena@yahoo.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 8:53 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Cindy

Last Name

Forgue

Email

booboosrowena@yahoo.com

County

allen

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

something needs to be done to reduce the deer population in the cityof Fort Wayne. with the number of deer being hit by car's each year itseems that it would benifet the city to make it mandatory for landowners to make their propertie's avabiable for hunting.

From: Sent:

Zimmerman [hzimmerman.1@juno.com] Thursday, February 26, 2009 4:35 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Howard

Last Name

Zimmerman

Email

hzimmerman.1@juno.com

County

Whitley

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see increased deer hunting at least in my area. Thenumber of deer in the area that I live has increased the entire timethat I have lived here which is over 35 years.

Deer increase their damage to just about everything that is grownhere including vegetables, and Government sponcered conservationforests. We also see increased autos hitting deer even though we haveobtained special increased perrmits to kill deer the last 6 years. Iam too old to properly hunt now, but last year people who legallyhunting last spring got 20 deer. We still have more than ever on theproperty.

From:

Daily [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Thursday, February 05, 2009 7:48 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Cc: Subject:

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Deer

First Name

jim

Last Name

Daily

Email

County

cass

State of Residence

ΙN

Suggestions

Reduce deer population through increased harvest. Whitetail population is still way too high resulting in property/auto damage.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/UNDER POPULATION

From:

rothrock [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Sunday, January 18, 2009 10:28 PM

To: Cc:

NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

travis

Last Name rothrock

County harrison

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Dear DNR, I have been hunting since I was 7 and I'm now 35. In thistime I have seen the Whitetail Deer population decrease in thesouthern part of Indiana. I only hunt the counties of Harrison andCrawford. I spend a lot of time in the woods and year after year Ikeep saying there is not the deer that has been in years past. As akid I grew up in Marengo Indiana. My family has several farms in this area with what used to be an excellent deer population with big maturebucks and tons of doe's. I can remeber farming as a youngster seeingdeer everyday in the fields eating soybeans and alfalfa. Then at nightyou could go to these fields and spotlight and see ten to fifteen deerwith at least two mature bucks. Those days are long gone!!!! For years I thought there was no better place to hunt deer but as the years passI find myself saying that there is to many does killed and to manyinmature bucks killed. I know a few years ago I filled a form out onsize limits on bucks. I personally think that the DNR and the Huntersneed to get together on buck size limits and the number of doe's beingkilled. I know everybody that hunts wants to kill a deer but with themassive number of doe tags that has been sold in the past few yearsand also the blue tongue that hit us I think there is serious need for achange in the limits of number of doe tags and I think there should also be a consideration for buck size limits. I know with buck sizelimits there comes a lot of issues with judging the size of the buckas he comes through the woods and I will admit sometimes there is alot of ground shrinking. I think most mature hunters like myself wouldlike to see some serious changes in the issues that I have addressed. I think also the kids, if a size limit on bucks is enforced, should be allowed to kill their first buck reguardless of size. I think this encourages kids to hunt but after the first buck they should have togo by the size restrictions. I know a big buck mounted hanging on thewall means a lot more that a little set of horns that get lost andforgotten about. I hunt by size restrictions and I make my nine yearold son hunt by those same rules and as a young hunter he is patientand will wait for that mature buck to come through the woods even ifit means not taking a buck that year. I appreciate your time and hopethat I and be an active part in keeping a the deer population incheck. I have enjoyed it for years and I want anybody that wants tohunt to have the same chance. If I can be of any assistance, pleasefeel free to call me. Sincerely,

From:

rothrock [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Sunday, January 18, 2009 10:34 PM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

travis

Last Name rothrock

County harrison

City

State of Residence TN

Suggestions

Dear DNR, I have been hunting since I was 7 and I'm now 35. In thistime I have seen the Whitetail Deer population decrease in the southern part of Indiana. I only hunt the counties of Harrison and Crawford. I spend a lot of time in the woods and year after year Ikeep saying there is not the deer that has been in years past. As akid I grew up in Marengo Indiana. My family has several farms in thisarea with what used to be an excellent deer population with big maturebucks and tons of doe's. I can remeber farming as a youngster seeingdeer everyday in the fields eating soybeans and alfalfa. Then at nightyou could go to these fields and spotlight and see ten to fifteen deerwith at least two mature bucks. Those days are long gone!!!! For yearsI thought there was no better place to hunt deer but as the years passI find myself saying that there is to many does killed and to manyinmature bucks killed. I know a few years ago I filled a form out onsize limits on bucks. I personally think that the DNR and the Huntersneed to get together on buck size limits and the number of doe's beingkilled. I know everybody that hunts wants to kill a deer but with themassive number of doe tags that has been sold in the past few yearsand also the blue tongue that hit us I think there is serious need fora change in the limits of number of doe tags and I think there shouldalso be a consideration for buck size limits. I know with buck sizelimits there comes a lot of issues with judging the size of the buckas he comes through the woods and I will admit sometimes there is alot of ground shrinking. I think most mature hunters like myself wouldlike to see some serious changes in the issues that I have addressed. I think also the kids, if a size limit on bucks is enforced, should be allowed to kill their first buck reguardless of size. I think thisencourages kids to hunt but after the first buck they should have togo by the size restrictions. I know a big buck mounted hanging on thewall means a lot more that a little set of horns that get lost andforgotten about. I hunt by size restrictions and I make my nine yearold son hunt by those same rules and as a young hunter he is patient and will wait for that mature buck to come through the woods even ifit means not taking a buck that year. I appreciate your time and hopethat I and be an active part in keeping a the deer population incheck. I have enjoyed it for years and I want anybody that wants tohunt to have the same chance. If I can be of any assistance, pleasefeel free to call me. TravisRothrock 812-596-0439

From:

catt [briancatt@msn.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:10 PM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brian

Last Name

catt

County

Johnson

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

After not harvesting a buck for the first time in 18 years and seeingvery few does on properties that in the past have had a large population(Parke, Johnson, & Jackson counties) of does. I feel that there are too many does being taken both during the season and withdepredation tags. The max per county should be nor more than 3, not the 8 max now existing in many counties during all hunting seasons.

From:

Wyse [wildturkie@aol.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:13 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Nathan

Last Name

Wyse

County

Elkhart

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I feel the number of does a hunter is allowed to harvest in high. Where I live many people are taking 3 or 4 does. This is causing adrop in the population, to much of a drop I feel! The one buck ruleis good. I feel just 1 or at the most 2 does per hunter should be allowed to harvest. This way us wildlife watchers will have the enjoyment of seeing a decent population of deer! It is overkill when 1 hunter harvests 4 or 5 deer! It gives hunting a bad name and creates opinions of "hoggish" hunters. The law allows it so many hunters kill more than what they need!! Thanks.

From:

catt [briancatt@msn.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:15 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brian

Last Name

catt

County

Johnson

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Depredation tags: After seeing a continual decline in overall deerpopulation in the 3 countys I hunt in (Johnson, Parke, Jackson) and hearing of increased depredation tags being utilized this past summer with the deer being left to rot in the field I feel that Depredation tags should be decreased substantially for 2009. Deer taken should be be either the tag holder or taken to a Hunters Feeding the Hungry location for donation to a food pantry.

I've been told by a property owner of a 2 sq. mile area in southernIndiana that had 240 deer killed by depredation tags this past year. He did not see any deer on his adjoining property this year.

From:

Sent:

johnson [afssadmin@ai.org] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 7:42 PM NRCFWRulesProject

To:

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

bill

Last Name johnson

Email

County gibson

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

stop killing all the does in gibson county the herd is down at lest65% and you can kill 8 does .why?

From:

Huff [mjbhuff@juno.com]

Sent:

Saturday, March 21, 2009 8:47 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

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Deer

First Name

Mike

Last Name

Huff

Email

mjbhuff@juno.com

County

Hancock

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

This past deer season was really bad for seen any doe's in HANCOCKCounty.

I am an ADVID deer hunter (32 years) and I only saw 3 doe's the wholeseason (Bow & firearms). Note I saw approx. 12 different bucks in theorea which was really nice. But This is crazy to have 3 doe's toharvest in THIS COUNTY. One should be enough. They are not that plentiful here in this COUNTY!I don't know who makes these regulations on killing these numbers of doe's this should be really lookedinto. You kill the doe's and you finually kill the herd out. BadManagement on DNR DEER REGULATION.

I talked to some other hunters in this county and they AGREED with meon this issue.... Thank you and hope this will make a difference.

From:

Huff [mjbhuff@juno.com]

Sent:

Saturday, March 21, 2009 8:45 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mike

Last Name

Huff

Email

mjbhuff@juno.com

County

Hancock

State of Residence

ΙN

Suggestions

This past deer season was really bad for seen any doe's in HANCOCKCounty.

I am an ADVID deer hunter (32 years) and I only saw 3 doe's the wholeseason (Bow & firearms). Note I saw approx. 12 different bucks in thearea which was really nice. But This is crazy to have 3 doe's toharvest in THIS COUNTY. One should be enough. They are not that plentiful here in this COUNTY! I don't know who makes these regulations on killing these numbers of doe's this should be really lookedinto. You kill the doe's and you finually kill the herd out. BadManagement on DNR DEER REGULATION.

I talked to some other hunters in this county and they AGREED with meon this issue....Thank you and hope this will make a difference.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Sent: Adams [adamstaxidermy@verizon.net] Sunday, January 25, 2009 11:13 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Jerry

Last Name Adams

County Rush

State of Residence TN

Suggestions

I continue to see less and less deer each season. I beleive that theantlerless harvest is much too high. In areas where car/deer accidentshappen most frequesntly, you will likely find a property owner whodoes not allow hunting. By increasing the antlerless harvest, theareas that receive hunting pressure become over-hunted/harvested, yetthe real problem areas for damage and accidents receive littleimpact.

Homan [fhoman@dishmail.net] Friday, January 23, 2009 7:46 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Frederick

Last Name

Homan

County

Steuben

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I think it is time to stop the Deer Hunts at Pokagon State Park. Ilive and are surrounded by the park. You might say I live in thepark.

The last couple of years my Grandchildren have come to our house tosee a deer. There older rothers and sisters said they used to comehere and see them. Well quite frankly we have not had a deer at mydining room window in two years. Winter or summer. I finally put the corn away.

You people down in Indy make these decisions and don't reallyappreciate it beauty up here. I know more people at the park and knowsome of the things that are done up here and believe me they werebad.

If you want to do something constructive like get the highway dept. to do something about the intersection of 27 and the I69 exit ramp by the entrance and stop the accidents. Two or three people killed and nothing being done, That wolud be a help.

That place is one of the best n the Country, lets keep it thatway.

Remember through all of this leave the deer alone for a while. Thanks Fred

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/ONE BUCK RULE

From: Sent:

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To:

Friday, January 16, 2009 10:27 PM NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Zach

Last Name Stookey

County Kosciusko

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like the One Buck Rule (OBR) continue in our state. There is a greater opportunity to harvest a mature buck in this state than everbefore. I have really enjoyed watching the increase of mature bucksin my area. It gives the youth hunters more opportunity to take abuck since there are more of them around now because of OBR.

F	rom:	

Weimer [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Saturday, January 17, 2009 8:45 PM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

blank

First Name

Dean

Last Name

Weimer

County

DeKalb

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I believe that the One Buck Rule should continue indefinately under the current deer hunting regulations.

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From:

Gilbert [iegilbert@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Monday, January 19, 2009 12:49 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Ian

Last Name

Gilbert

County

Adams

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

This comment is in regards to deer hunting fees in the state of Indiana. I believe that Indiana should take a look at how ourneighbors in Ohio do things. I am a strong supporter of the 'one buckrule." I think it is the best hunting rule Indiana has. However, Ibelieve it is unrealistic to expect sportsman to shell out the moneyfor a buck tag for each season if they so choose to hunt withdifferent weapons. Finances are tight in today's society. They aren't getting better. I simply decided to not hunt during the shotgun or muzzleloader season because I couldn't continue to buylicenses that were most likely not going to be filled. So insummary... One buck rule=One buck license rule. Make the sport moreen joyable for those of us who didn't buy a lifetime license and can'tafford to shell out 100s of dollars a year on hunting licenses.

Thank you!

From:	
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ring [ringrealestate@comcast.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:21 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

john

Last Name

ring

County

hamilton

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Continue with the one buck per season rule; I have seen a largernumber of bucks in the field

From:

BURNETT [BACKWATERBOB@VERIZON.NET]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 8:35 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

ROBERT

Last Name

BURNETT

Email

BACKWATERBOB@VERIZON.NET

County

ALLEN

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A 5 YEAR BAN ON TAKING BUCKS. NO BUCKS TAKEN FOR 5YEARS. INCLEASE THE DOE TAKING. THIS WILL ALLOW BUCKS TO GROW BIGGERAND WILL REDUCE THE DOE POPULATION INCREASING THE BUCK TO DOE COUNT

THANK YOU.

ROBERT BURNETT

From:

Kuntz [kuntzs@psci.net]

Sent:

Friday, January 23, 2009 9:17 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Gene

Last Name

Kuntz

County Dubois

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I've been hunting in the same areas of Dubois and Martin counties formany years. The last year I saw a substantial ammount of deer was in2006! I hunted 30-35 days this year from the beginning of archeryseason until the end of muzzle loader season and saw less than 20 deertotal the entire time! The EHD outbreak of 2007 has had a far greaterimpact on the deer in the counties I hunt that you may realize. I'vetalked to many hunters who have had a similiar experience to mine thelast two years. I'm also a member of the board of directors of theDubois County Sportsmen's Club. I gather a lot of information fromclub members for an outdoor program I air every weekend on WITZ AM/FMin Jasper, Indiana. I'm proposing that you lower the Bonus AnterlessCounty Quota fo rDubois Coutn to 2 from the current 4. The harvest ofdoes has been too great in many areas and the effects of EHD from 2006are rapidly reducing our deer herd in the areas I hunt. I am in favorof the 1 buck rule and would like to see it continue. I'd also like to go on record as opposing Indiana House Bill 1260 the AmmunitionAcountability proposal. I realize it died in the Indiana House lastyear and I hope it does not come up again this year. It's arediculous piece of legislation.

Thank you for allowing me to give you my input.

Gene Kuntz, Board Member Dubois County Sportsmen's Club

Sales & Operations Manager WITZ AM/FM, WQKZ-FM Jasper, IN

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NRC Advisory Committee, NRC and the IDNR...

My name is Clarence (Woody) Williams. I am owner and administrator of www.hunt-Indiana.com. This an Indiana outdoor forum made up of over 1,770 Hoosier hunters and fishermen/women. Our main goal is to keep Indiana hunters and fishermen/women abreast of what is happening in the Indiana outdoors. Secondary is to talk hunting and fishing and helping each other out with tips and advice. I believe that we have a pretty good cross section of Indiana hunters and fishermen/women.

We became very aware that a bill was making its way through the legislature that would basically wrest some control of wildlife away from the IDNR. I advised my entire membership of this effort through a mass emailing campaign. We still do not know where that bill is going to end up so we thought we could give some suggestions on new regulations and deer management to the NRC Advisory Council, the NRC and IDNR.

We were also acutely aware that the NRC Advisory Council, the NRC and the IDNR were going through an extensive review and update of all fish and wildlife rules and was requesting suggestions for substantive rule amendments. Several of the members of the site gave input through the internet.

Even with that we felt we needed to do more. I have a background as a team facilitator so I thought the site could a do a little problem solving exercise with a focus on revamping old regulations, making new regulations and offering advice on how to help manage out ever growing deer herd. When finished we would present it to the NRC Advisory Council, the NRC and the IDNR for their consideration.

The first order of business was to do a "brainstorming" session on what every member wanted in the input that we would give. I posted a thread just asking the members for what changes that they would like to see. The response was great! In true "brainstorming" it is pretty well anything goes and we did have a few off the wall suggestions. That is not a problem as they were culled out when we got to the multi-voting process of deciding which proposals were most valid. We ended up with 46 different and unique proposals. That was more than my site can handle in a single poll so we divided that number into two polls. When the two polls had run their course I took the top 25 vote getters and put them in a final poll.

Members could then multi-vote with only 4 votes each in the final poll. That only gave them their top 4 choices so they had to stop and really think what was the most important to them. It is important to know that only members can vote and they can only vote once. We have now narrowed that list down to 10 top proposals. I also asked my members to provide positive input on the individual items. As you can see from the list there are a couple proposals that are contradictory, especially in the area of the One Buck Rule versus the Two Buck Rule. We were mainly interested in identifying the top ten desired proposals and did not attempt to pit individual proposals against each other. However, the attached list is in numerical order of how we perceive them in importance.

Hopefully our exercise and identification of the top proposals that are most important to our members will be helpful to the NRC Advisory Council, the NRC and the IDNR in your decision making process.

If you have any questions on any of the proposals or if I can be of any assistance you can reach me at <u>asatsi@wowway.com</u> or phone me at (812) 499-8324.

Thank you for our consideration of our proposals.

Clarence (Woody) Williams

WWW.HUNT-INDIANA DEER REGULATIONS AND MANAGEMENT PROPOSALS

Selection In Order of Importance

1) Improve Hunter Access

Start a program through the IDNR that would allow private land owners and hunters to work together to help manage the deer herd.

1) Private land owner would register with the IDNR - IDNR then would assign hunters to the property on certain dates to hunt (maybe similar to the park hunts now) - Allow the land owner to choose bow or gun. The problem is getting the private land owners to allow hunting. That might be an incentive in the form of cash and/or tax break.

This can come in the form of tax relief or just dollars from the IDNR. A higher license fee charged on all licenses (not just deer tags) that would go to a fund to sponsor this program.

2) One thing they could do to help access and harvest a few more deer would be to provide landowner coupons with the deer tags. The way it works if you kill a deer on somebody's private ground, you give the landowner portion of the tag to your landowner, then he sends it in to the state and gets a set amount of dollars back.

Again, a higher license fee charged on all licenses (not just deer tags) that would go to a fund to sponsor this program.

- 3) The state could solicit power, timber companies and mining operations to work on hunter access as well as the purchases of new hunting lands. If it requires a lease then again go to a higher license fee charged on all licenses (not just deer tags) that would go to a fund to sponsor this program.
- 4) Make certain sections of state properties open to either bow hunt or gun hunt or both that are currently not open to it

2) Eliminate OBR (one buck rule)

The OBR trial was put into place to try and grow some "trophy bucks". Never mind that Indiana was getting their fair share of trophy bucks already. No doubt that we are experiencing an age shift in our bucks but according to Jim Mitchell that trend had already started prior to the OBR coming into effect.

Buck age shifts are occurring all over the country and according to the Quality Deer Management Association this is due to "A significant indication of the spread of the QDM philosophy.."

See ... http://www.qdma.com/media/WhitetailReport09.pdf

Yearling Buck Harvest Trends

"A significant indication of the spread of the QDM philosophy, the percentage of yearlings (1½-year-olds) in the nationwide buck harvest declined from an average of 51 percent in 1999 to 45 percent in 2005. During this same period the percentage of 2½-year-olds increased from 28 to 32percent and 3½-year-olds or older increased from 19 to 23 percent."

This age shift is occurring in every whitetail producing state and is not just an Indiana OBR phenomenon. The only thing that is consistent among these states is that deer hunters are aging, getting more experienced, becoming more selective and QDM has caught on. No doubt that OBR proponents lay claim that this age shift is due to the OBR, but age data from other states proves otherwise.

Since there were only about 5,000 "double dippers" yearly during the two-buck rule there would be little, if any negative effect on the herd to just eliminate the OBR.

Some harvest statistics.

Early Archery Buck Kills...

1999 - 9,067

2000 - 10,935

2001 - 12,016

Pre-OBR Average - 10,673

2002 - 7,397

2003 - 9,084

2004 - 7,985

2005 - 8,845

2006 - 9,390

2007 - 9,715

2008 - 9,193

Post OBR Average - 8,801

Difference - minus 1,872 (- 17.5%)

Firearm (Shotgun and MZ) Buck Kills

1999 - 37,075

2000 - 33,500

2001 - 36,082

Pre OBR Average- 35,552

2002 - 39,560

2003 - 46,488

2004 - 43,107 2005 - 43,393 2006 - 39,438 2007 - 39,394 2008 - 41,431

Post OBR Average - 41,830

Difference - Plus 6,278 (+ 17.6%)

We are killing more bucks under the one-buck rule that we did under the two-buck rule. Where are the "buck savings"?

This proposal would help on the control of antlerless deer as the successful early archery buck hunters would have a better reason to get back out there in the firearm season, where they could take more antlerless deer at the same time.

The purchase of the second buck tag would also help make up any monetary shortfalls the IDNR might experience.

3) Go to a Tele-check system

Tele-check (utilizing the telephone and the internet) would have the potential to save the state perhaps millions of dollars over the haul. It would be an immediate record keeping process that would be computerized and no longer require check stations paperwork and lots of personnel to keep track of. It will also free up time for Conservation Officers to concentrate more on the game law enforcement instead of spending a lot of time doing collection services for check in reports to take them to the state offices. Not to mention you would not need the compilation of the seasonal stats at the close of season paying state employees to do this clerical work .

This would be a great benefit to hunters who hunt mid week and need to go to work the next day. Finding a check station that is still open in the evening (especially Sunday evening) can be very difficult at times. A check in by phone or the internet can facilitate the deer processing so that it can be done immediately instead of letting the deer hang and checking it in at a check station in the morning. This would especially be beneficial in warm weather where meat spoilage could occur over night.

4) Move the gun season out of the main rut

This would come as the next step in upper age class recruitment in the deer herd annually and would also allow hunters the opportunity to take does that are not dispersed by bucks tending them. Thus the possibility of taking more than one doe per encounter will increase as the doe herds form up into larger bands or groups. This would replace the OBR in buck management and also could allow for the replacement of the second buck at a premium cost for the second buck tag. See proposal # 8 - Re-instate the Two Buck Rule with a premium price 2nd buck

5) Program to donate venison to the hungry no cost

A program to utilize deer meat for the hungry and homeless in these hard economic times in our state would be very beneficial.

- The IDNR Sportsmen Benevolent Pin Fund
 (http://estore.dnr.state.in.us/tek9.asp?pg=products&specific=jmmpjnirm) is a great idea, but I'm not sure that will be enough to cover all the costs of processing deer for use by food pantries and to aid the poor.
- 2) The IDNR could negotiate with the processors a reduced fee for hunters that bring in deer to be donated to charity. My processor right outside of Boonville already does this. He will cut and package a deer for \$40 if it is donated. The Sportsmen Against Hunger have already done some ground work on identifying processors and charitable outlets that are in need.
- 3) Perhaps there could be a way for the state to financially reimburse the operations for each deer that is processed, possibly through a tax break or monetarily through the state welfare system.
- 4) Is it possible this could be done using food stamps or possibly enhanced state tax reductions for each deer processed?

It would also result in the taking of more antlerless deer that would result in a finer stage of management than we currently are at.

6) Keep OBR (one buck rule)

A good number of Indiana deer hunters like to hunt the bigger bucks. Since the OBR trial was instituted we are seeing more and bigger bucks. Hunters are being more selective now than ever before. Hunters are getting older, becoming more experienced and taking a yearling buck is no longer a challenge for them. A part of that selectivity is probably due to the OBR.

7) Allow crossbows during all archery seasons

There is no doubt that new hunting equipment spurs a new interest. There is clear and compelling evidence, from a growing number of states, that the expansion of the use of crossbows will offer significant positive benefits for the State of Indiana in hunter recruitment of youth, women and others. Crossbows also will provide a great retention tool to keep the older bowhunter in the game. Even though we have a program to allow the physically challenged to use a crossbow some do not want to go to that expense and adopt a non-deserved stigma of "handicapped". Therefore an increasing number of older bowhunters just quit. Various state DNR surveys point out that the bowhunter drop out rate accelerates at age 50. Crossbows also can make a major impact from a fiscal standpoint and from a resource management standpoint.

Like so many other states, Indiana has been steadily losing hunters and the related revenue that hunting creates. The DNR depends on hunters to accomplish their

management goals and declining numbers of hunters complicates this task. Fewer hunters also reduce the amount of revenue generated for the State and for the IDNR. Allowing the full inclusion of crossbows during archery seasons will help to reverse the trend of declining hunter numbers, with a number of ancillary benefits and without any negative impact on the resource.

As evidenced in a growing number of crossbow legal states (most recently Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Michigan, Louisiana, & North Carolina) as well as Canadian provinces, the inclusion of crossbows in archery season will give us the opportunity to increase hunter participation, increase tourism, create new revenue streams and contribute to the responsible management of one of Indiana's most important public resources. I sincerely ask for you to support a consideration of full inclusion of crossbows and allow Indiana's hunters a choice when choosing which type of archery equipment to use during Indiana's archery seasons

8) Re-instate the Two Buck Rule with a premium price 2nd buck

The OBR has been very divisionary to the Indiana deer hunters. It is by far the worst that I have ever seen. As a compromise, re-instate the two-buck limit with a premium price for the "bonus" buck tag. The two-buck limit would still have to be the one with archery equipment and one with a firearm. The serious buck hunters (that have taken a buck in archery season) would be glad to pay extra for another opportunity to take a buck. Since there were only about 5,000 "double dippers" yearly during the two-buck rule there would be little, if any negative effect on the herd. We are killing over 6,000 more bucks yearly during the one-buck trial than we did during the two buck rule.

This would help on the control of antlerless deer as the successful early archery buck hunters would have a reason to get back out there in the firearm season, where they could take more antlerless deer at the same time. The second buck at a premium price will be the carrot to get the successful early archery buck hunters off the couch in front of the TV and back into the woods where they could very take another doe or two.

This would also help make up any monetary shortfalls the IDNR might experience.

9) General firearm tag to be either sex

This proposal would help tremendously in allowing younger bucks to put more age on and to take more antlerless deer. If a firearm deer hunter gets down to the last few days of the season he just might take a doe instead of that young buck since the tag would be either sex. This is also a great idea for those who want to hunt but are very limited in funds and want to take the first deer that walks by them. That is a winwin.

10) Non-Resident bonus tags same price as resident's

Non-Resident bonus tags should be the same price as resident's bonus tags. If the motive is to kill more does in an attempt to control the herd, what difference does it make as to who shoots them? Non-residents aren't going to buy bonus tags at \$150 when they can take does in their home states for as little as \$15. Even if they tagged out with their general tag the very first day they will not spend \$150 for an NR antlerless tag. Make it economically possible for non-residents to take a doe or more. Right now, it costs way too much for most non-residents to have an interest in doing so.

9,460 NR deer licenses sold in 2007 for \$1,312,205

9,611 NR deer licenses sold in 2008 for \$1,334,423

No doubt more money could be raised from hunters from out of state if the Indiana non-resident bonus tags were the same price as the residents bonus tag, \$24 tag. If only a third of the non-residents bought just one tag at \$24 that would be close to \$70,000 more in the IDNR coffers and help control the herd. Couple that with the fact that hunters from out of state bring money into Indiana for motels, groceries, restaurants, gasoline, etc would be a winning situation for Indiana.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/"EARN A BUCK"

From:

Shireman [jshireman@nhcs.k12.in.us]

Sent:

Friday, January 09, 2009 10:10 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Jeremy

Last Name

Shireman

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County

Harrison

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the addition of an earn a second buck tag. In the counties with four or more bonus tags a person would be able to earn asecond buck tag for that county only by harvest four bonus deer. This would help generate revenue by increasing license sales and also would accomplish the goal of reducing local deer herds.

From: Sent: Downey [dalejuliedowney@yahoo.com] Sunday, January 25, 2009 7:29 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Dale

Last Name Downey

County St. Joe

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

If we are serious about improving the deer herd in the state byremoving more does then think about this. Since bonus permits arenumbered and accounted for at the check station, why not, make therule that a hunter must take a bonus (doe) before buying a tag ortaking a buck. The farmers and insurance companies would be happy. Asan added bonus there would be a lot more venison donated to the foodpantries.

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From:

Stookey [zstookey@yahoo.com] Friday, January 16, 2009 10:20 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

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jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

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Deer

First Name

Zach

Last Name

Stookey

County

Kosciusko

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I believe that Earn A Buck (EAB) would be very beneficial to the state. EAB would require hunters harvest one doe before they may harvest a buck. This would greatly help control deer numbers. This would also create extra liscense sales because most would be purchasing a doe and a buck tag, not just a buck tag like most docurrently. If multiple does were taken in one year then the huntershould be able to take a buck before taking a doe the next year.

From:

Willman [bradenwillman@hotmail.com] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:43 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Braden

Last Name

Willman

Email

bradenwillman@hotmail.com

County

Marion

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

A couple of suggestions regarding the current hunting seasons fordeer.

With the overabundance of does in much of the state. The ratio inall the areas where I hunt is way out of line. It is not uncommon tosee 25 - 30 does for every buck. Sometimes 25-30 does with no buck atall.

A couple possible solutions may be to either adopt the "earn abuck" philosophy for a couple of seasons, or move the firearms seasonsback a couple of weeks so the peak of the rut is not coinciding withthe firearms season. This would allow more "immature" bucks to survive and help keep the ratio in tact. Implementing both would be even better. Adjacent states have implemented the earn a buck and have also eliminated the firearms season from the month of November. Illinois just had their lastfirearms season end on 1/18/09. Moving the firearms entirely into December and January would help elimate some of the problem.

Providing more opportunities for hunters to donate deer meat would also encourage more hunters to harvest does.

Regards,

Braden Willman

From:

Wood [lwood4@tis.jnj.com]

Sent:

Monday, January 26, 2009 8:22 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals
Deer

First Name Lavon

Last Name Wood

County Kosciusko

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

It would be nice to see a rule of taking a doe in any hunting season(example: bow, or firearm) before being able to get a antleredlicense to take a buck. This would reduce deer head count and peoplewould not be hunting for bucks only. thank you

Lavon Wood

From: Sent: Shaver [shaverforestry@yahoo.com] Thursday, January 22, 2009 11:12 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name

Last Name Shaver

Email shaverforestry@yahoo.com

County Bartholomew

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Deer populations in Indiana are still too high. The Division of Fishand Wildlife has taken some steps to help with this problem, but they are not enough. The increase in availability of doe permits has helpedand should continue to be promoted.

Fish and Wildlife should consider setting up some sort of earn a buckprogram. Keep the one buck rule, but set up a program that if hunterlegally checks in two does and reports their tag numbers, they canapply for a second buck permit good for any remaining season orweapon.

Please call or e-mail with questions. Dan Shaver

From: Sent: SHELTON [jwshelton4@earthlink.net] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 8:22 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Jim

Last Name SHELTON

Email jwshelton4@earthlink.net

County Miami

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to see an "Earn-a-Buck" program implimented for the shotgun/muzzleloader season. You first must harvest a doe to earn the privledge of harvesting a buck...

From:

Smith [richbirdbk@gmail.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 8:07 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Richard

Last Name Smith

Email richbirdbk@gmail.com

County LaGrange

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to see an "Earn A Buck" program similar to what they havein Wisconsin. You have to kill a doe and check it in before you canbe issued a buck tag. Instead of relying on hunters to utilize all oreven one antlerless tag, you would have a definite number of doesharvested. Once you have harvested a doe you could kill a buck withany weapon in the appropriate season. This program can be tweaked tosuit any situation.

Thank you!!

From: Sent: Stackhouse [stack09@gmail.com] Tuesday, January 27, 2009 11:22 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Jeremy

Last Name Stackhouse

County Steuben

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the ability to earn a second buck each year bychecking in an antlerless deer. Or allow one buck be harvested witharchery equipment and one be harvested with shotgun or muzzleloader.

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From:

davis [klkdavis2@pwrtc.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 22, 2009 3:07 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name kenneth

Last Name

davis

Email

klkdavis2@pwrtc.com

County white

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Do away with the one buck rule once and for all and adopt a earn abuck program. Every one has to shoot a doe to beable to shoot a buck. This will go farther in keeping our herd at sustainable numbers aswell as do more for producing older class bucks in this state. Whichthe one buck rule is NOT doing. But you got to make the doe tagaffordable such as ten dollars.

From:

Hunt [Rothhar1@aol.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 10:41 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Calvin

Last Name

Hunt

Email

Rothhar1@aol.com

County

Howard

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I beleive that if a hunter takes an antlerless deer in archery seasonwith either a bonous county tag or archer /extra archery tag, thathunter should recive an "Earn a Buck tag" .However the only way to geta EAB for the archery hunters is they must also take a buck witharchery equipment in early archery season as well . Thus not allowingsaid hunter to be able to take two bucks with a fire arm. This Earn aBuck tag should be able to be used with any weapon in any seasonthroughout the remainder of the year .However this "EAB tag" is voidafter the end of the deer hunting year.

This will give Bowhunters insentive to take a Doe or antlerless deer to help with the states managment program .Alot of archery hunters do not take a Doe during archery season due to passing and waiting for amature buck. The one buck rule is somewhat of a deterant to archers to just shoot any Doe that walks by due to the fact that they are afraid that will ruin thier chance at the big buck that they are hunting for.

Just a thought /also EAB with a fire arm will be counter productive to Indiana's mangement program due to the massive amount of gunhunters who successfully harvest a antierless doe .Thus there will be a huge run on bucks and does a the first weekend of gun season as they attempt to earn thier second buck tag to use with a gun.

However any bowhunter who has taken a doe and first buck early willlikely also go out to try for thier EAB .But will likely end up taking doe on opener of gunseason as well as attempting to get thier secondbuck instead of setting on the couch because a doe is just not that important to take since they likely have two deer down by gunopener.

Just a thought.

From: Sent:

Passarelli [mjpassarelli@comcast.net] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 7:55 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Mark

Last Name Passarelli

Email mjpassarelli@comcast.net

County Porter

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Changing the one buck per season rule.

I purchased my Deer Gun license early in August to apply for theState park hunts. Unfortunately this year I took a antlered deerduring early bow season—so for firearm season I was not able to goout hunting without purchasing an additional bonus antlerless license—so in essence my firearm license was wasted this year and could not beused as I could only take one antlered deer all year. There should besome way to purchase an additional either sex bonus license for thosewho would like to continue hunting the other seasons firearmmuzzleloader and late bow. Wisconsin went to earn a buck program—maybe in Indiana if you harvest a buck then you would have a earn asecond buck by harvesting a anterless deer (after purchasing a bonusanterless) then you could be eligible to purchase an additional tag toharvest either sex for the additional deer. This way Indiana getsadditional license revenue and we hunters get to hunt a little morenext year.

From: Sent:

Butcher [cbutcher5@verizon.net] Monday, March 09, 2009 7:52 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Keith

Last Name

Butcher

County

Stueben

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I have seen a better age class of bucks since the 1 buck limit wasestablished. I promote this and would like to see it continue withpossibly additional constraints to further help get an older age classof bucks. As a Quality Deer Manager I would like to see the programtaken to the next step. In my opinion we have mostly only taken theharvest from the 1 1/2 year old age class to the 2 1/2 year old ageclass. The doe to Buck Ratio remains very high as well. Unfortunately there is a mentality out there with a large number ofhunters that taking a buck no matter the size is better than taking nobuck at all. I would encourage Indiana to take on a program such asWI where you must earn a buck by shooting a doe prior to being able topurchase a buck tag. I think this may help reduce the number of smallbucks that the "opening weekend gun hunter" takes because a small buckis better than no buck. Another means of getting an older age classwould be to make a point restriction or my least favorite would be aminimum score; however this is difficult to do because not every onecan easily field judge/score a deer. Please consider this strongly Iwould like to see our deer and deer hunting rival our neighboringstates to the west (Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois).

From:

Swartz [jrhog@hotmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, March 09, 2009 8:21 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob
SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Dave

Last Name

Swartz

County

steuben

State of Residence

ΙN

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Thank you,

Dave Swartz

From:

Butcher [propertymanagementservices@verizon.net]

Sent:

Monday, March 09, 2009 7:54 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

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COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Keith

Last Name

Butcher

County

Stueben

State of Residence

IN

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From: Sent:

Pearson [indeerhunt@aol.com] Friday, January 23, 2009 8:15 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Jason

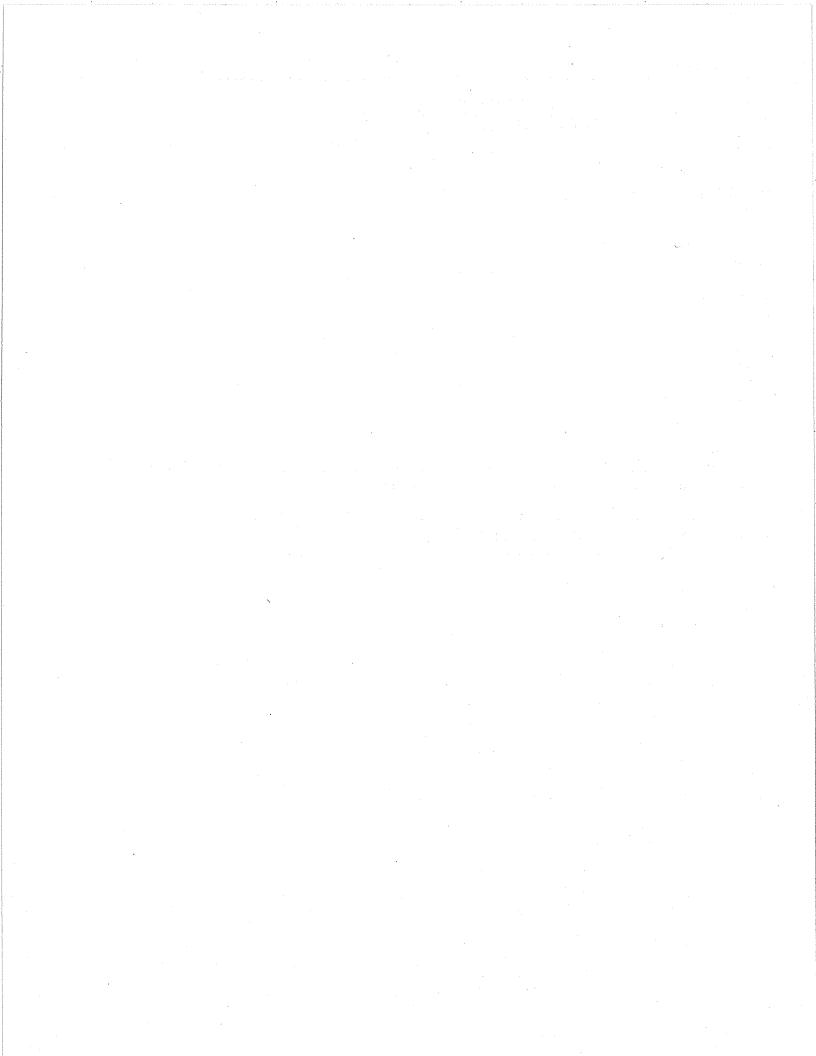
Last Name Pearson

County Clark

State of Residence

Suggestions

It should be required to shoot a doe, before you can buy a buck tag. Help balance out the buck to doe ratio in this state.



COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/BUCK IDENTIFICATION

From: Sent:

Marsh [t_marsh83@hotmail.com] Thursday, January 08, 2009 5:50 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Trent

Last Name

Marsh

Email

t_marsh83@hotmail.com

County

Noble

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Some sort of streamlining of the deer licenses needs to take place. With the OBR looking to be here to stay, some sort of a "buck tag" should be enacted. One season hunters will bellyache because this sort of a change would certainly require a price increase, but itseems silly for the state to be selling, and printing (just think of all the wasted licenses printed on 1/3 a sheet of paper...think of the trees) 3 licenses to shoot the same deer in 3 different seasons. At the very least, making the firearms tag either sex would be beneficial.

At any rate, some thought should be given to make the licensestructure easier to understand.

Also, thank you for this project. It is nice to see the stateinvolving the people in amendments and input of the laws we allfollow. Your work and efforts are appreciated by the outdoorsmen of this state.

From:

Potratz [bpotratz@msn.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 08, 2009 5:21 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

blank

First Name

Bryan

Last Name

Potratz

Email

bpotratz@msn.com

County

LaPorte

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Since we are allowed One Buck only (with exceptions) it makes sense tome to have a "Buck License" which would be good for all seasons -perhaps at a slight premium - to simplify recordkeeping. While Iunderstand there is a revenue stream from the current requirement formultiple-season hunters to buy a new buck tag each season, it alsocreates confusion &/or necessitates waiting to buy the next season'stag until you find out whether or not a buck is taken the previousseason.

I think the numbers will probably show that most Hunters hunt onlyone, or at most Two seasons, so having a Single "Buck" tag availablefor, say \$35, would likely counter any lost revenue from "multi"buyers who eat their tags.

From:

Tselepis [tselios7@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 7:43 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Andrew

Last Name Tselepis

Email tselios7@yahoo.com

County dupage

State of Residence IL

Suggestions

I think there needs to be a minimum limit for Male deer. Institute a minimum of 4 points on one side to increase the size of the bucks beingtaken. Where I hunt (newton-jasper counties) the bucks need a chance to grow up. Too many small bucks taken. Thank-you for listening.

From:

Jefferson [jmatthew391@aol.com]

Sent:

Saturday, February 07, 2009 2:47 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Deer

First Name

Matthew

Last Name

Jefferson

Email

jmatthew391@aol.com

County

Clark

State of Residence

ΙN

Suggestions

I would like to see a minimum size limit on bucks. I suggest eightpoint and 15 inch inside spread. For a couple years. Then reavaulate the deer herd. !!!!Q.D.M.

From:

Shamp [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Monday, March 09, 2009 12:55 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Nathan

Last Name

Shamp

County

Stueben

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see a restriction of at least 4 points on one side forthe taking of a buck. I believe that more people would take doesinstead of small bucks. This would help the buck to doe ratio and getthe average age of our bucks from 2 1/2 to possibly 3 1/2 or higher. The quality of our herd would improve, thus improving the hunting experience. I feel this would bring in more out of state hunting that would increase license sales and bring money into our economy.

From:

Trine [pimpassdakota@aol.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, March 11, 2009 3:34 PM

To: Cc: **NRCFWRulesProject**

Subject:

Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Josh

Last Name

Trine

Email

pimpassdakota@aol.com

County

Howard

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

This suggestion is about the 1 buck rule. I do really like the ruleand greatly appreciate the rule so that other hunters have chances toget the big bucks, along with the younger bucks growing into bigmature bucks. But in those early morning low light hours and those lowlight hours before dark, you may not notice that a deer has one little4 inch spike. You may be thinking your shooting a doe but yet when youget down to the deer it turns out to be a buck. If the hunter hasalready taken his buck for the year, then by all rights and rules, hehas just illegally taken a deer BY ACCIDENT. There has been timeswhere I let deer walk because of this rule and honestly im not outthere to let deer walk unless there is a real good reason to let it walk. I am out there for the sport and to put meat in the freezer. Thats a tough spot to be in and I beleive there should be some exceptions and some clarifying on this rule. I know for a buck to beconsidered antlered it must have at least 1 antler 3 inches long. Buton the other hand, if part of the reason we are doing this is to let the young bucks mature into older mature big bucks, then what about the little button bucks? In our state that is considered an anterlessdeer, but yet isnt that still a buck? If he doesnt get taken duringthat first year, more then likely he has a rack the next season. Youronly allowed one antlered deer, but yet you could take for an example 3 button bucks be they are anterless deer. Thats technically 4 buckson a 1 buck rule? Yeah the 3 buttons dont have antlers, but in realitythey are still bucks. I beleive there needs to be some clarifications and exceptions to this rule, including taking a 4 inch spike for an example. Thank you again for your time.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/2 BUCK (1 BOW & 1 FIREARM)

From:

Becraft [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Saturday, January 17, 2009 4:46 AM NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

To: Cc:

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMblank

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First Name

Richard

Last Name

Becraft

County

Lawrence

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I suggest the one buck rule be eliminated in any year depredation permits are allowed in any county in Indiana and legal hunters beallowed one buck with archery equipment and one buck with afirearm.

From: Sent:

welch [starlightprinters@dishmail.net] Sunday, January 18, 2009 2:54 PM NRCFWRUEsProject

To:

jschroeder@www.in.gov

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

bob

Last Name welch

County clark

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

the 2 buck limit needs to be reinstated.

From:

King [greedygus2@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Monday, January 19, 2009 2:48 PM

To: Cc:

NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMblank

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blank

First Name

Maurice

Last Name

King

County

Floyd

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the deer hunting rule allowing the harvesting of one buck only per season, regardless of weapon, to be changed to allowany youth 20 years of age and younger to harvest one (1) buck in each of the season hunts, early bow, firearm, muzzleloading, late bow aswell as the allowed does for their county of hunt.

Reason: We are losing are young hunters to other venues. Both girlsand boys. It's exciting to harvest a doe but the high is being ableto say they killed a BUCK (especially the young men) rather than a doeand it does not have to be Boone&Crocket or a Pope&Young wall hanger. But the way the rule is now, why hunt? EX., An 18 year boy passes ona nice spiker during bow season and hunts the rest of the year, allseasons, and never sees another buck and/or just the opposite, thesame young man takes the spiker with his bow, hunts firearm season anddoes not get a safe shot at a doe and latter during late muzzleloadinghas to pass on a nice large 10 pointer broadside at 30 yrds. Probablyhis last year!

From: Sent:

Jordan [ssredeemer@yahoo.com] Monday, January 19, 2009 9:18 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject ischroeder@www.in.gov

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

blank

First Name

Curt

Last Name

Jordan

County

Fountain

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

It is time for the OBR to go. We hold you to your word that after theunnecessary additional 5 years, it will be returned to 2 bucks for the 5 year comparison. OBR is a gimmick and has no scientific basis infact. Even if it were a proven technique, which it's not, IN doesn't need to be designated a trophy state by a few elitist hunters.

The number of antlerless permits also needs to be decreased. Deer sightings are down all over the state. Special interestinsurance groups have no place in deer management. Either the DNR needs to really start taking a census on the actual deer population or the ones who do it need to be dismissed.

From:

Wagner [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:55 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mike

Last Name

Wagner

County

Allen

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Please eliminate the the one (1) buck rule. The only reason I can see for such a rule is trophy hunters can possibly see more bigger bucks. In my opinion this is not a good herd management practice and it caters to a select group of hunters that should not make policy orrules.

From:

elliot [bcat57@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:07 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Barry

Last Name

elliot

County

warren

City

State of Residence

ΙN

Suggestions

The Elliot propisition--

an extra buck may be taken with bow only(2 total)

This would slightly open bucks up without an overkill of twoduring gun seasons---any two bucks but one would be a bow--

I agree two by gun is to many and one buck to few!!!! Ifsomeone can legaly take one with a bow it will open alot of deeropertunitys without taking to many bucks as two gun kills did------anice "between choice" for bucks -- Barry R. Elliot--765-793-0175-home work 1-800-369-6803

From:

Arthur [snparthur60@aol.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:35 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Scott

Last Name

Arthur

Email

snparthur60@aol.com

County

Vigo

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I would like to see a ONE DEER either-sex tag good for all seasons, all weapons. I believe this would make things easier for the personwho has limited time to hunt.

From:

walters [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Monday, January 26, 2009 2:22 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name william

Last Name walters

Email

County marion

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Make the doe season longer with a muzzeloader and go back to the twobuck rule (ONE WITH A BOW AND ONE WITH A FIREARM).

From:

sexton [rlsexton@localnet.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 7:54 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name randy

Last Name sexton

Email rlsexton@localnet.com

County wabash

State of Residence IN

Suggestions
The one buck rule should be done while bow hunting ifyou kill a buck your done come gun season when the rut is on yourchanses are better

From: Sent: Cole [bassmaster1952@netzero.net] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 6:55 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Perry

Last Name

Cole

Email

bassmaster1952@netzero.net

County

Boone

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

1)Allow a second buck with bow during the late season or ML once youtake a doe. This way more license can be sold and it will allowhunters to be more selective when taking a second buck.

2)Allow the taking of deer over bait. Just because you use bait doesnot guarantee you will harvest one over the bait anyway. I see nodifference if you are allowed to plant a food plot and hunt over itthan if you put C'Mere Deer or other attractants out. Even a mineralblock helps the deer with nutrition during the year.

From:

GREGORY [hgregory@hpcisp.com] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 7:22 PM

Sent:

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

HAROLD

Last Name

GREGORY

Email

hgregory@hpcisp.com

County

LAW.

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

RETURN TO ALLOWING DEER HUNTERS TO TAKE A BUCK WITH BOW AND ONE WITHFIREARM OR MUZZLE LOADER

From:

Sent:

hauser [slh454@sbcglobal.net] Wednesday, January 21, 2009 8:50 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

steve

Last Name

hauser

Email

slh454@sbcglobal.net

County

marion

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

repeal the one buck rule reinstate the previous rule of one buck with a bow and one buck with a gun.

From: Sent:

Russell [afssadmin@ai.org]

To: Subject: Saturday, January 24, 2009 7:08 PM

NRCFWRulesProject

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Curtis

Last Name Russell

County DeKalb

State of Residence TN

Suggestions

I disagree with the one buck rule, because with such a liberalantlerless season most bucks don't grow old enough to sport theirfirst set of antlers anyway. My grandpa and I hunt together but findit less exciting to hunt immature deer so we don't hunt as much. Ithink it's time to stop letting the Indiana Deer Hunters Association dictate hunting seasons, not all of us agree thats why we aren't members. My grandpa is Joe Bowman who is a lifetime license holder, who helped start the Association of Indiana Taxidermists. He alsoscored for the record book for over 20 years. He agrees with me as domost of his friends and mine, but I come to this conclusion completelyon my own though I am only 15 years of age. This has been going on for7 years and there has been no increase in the antlered buckpopulation. We pass up the younger bucks only to have neighors shootthem, and there are fewer trophy bucks around.

From:

Helms [vhull_5@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 22, 2009 5:41 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Kenneth

Last Name

Helms

County

Rush

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I suggest the state drop the 1 buck rule. I have hunted deer for 30yrs, and depend upon the meat to feed me and my family. I have passed on some smaller bucks in early archery and then didn't get a shot onanother deer that season. Don't get me wrong, I like to see biggerbucks, but the rule was set up for trophy hunters and that is whatworries me. My family and I hunt because it is a way of life to us, not a sport to see who gets the bigger deer, we have a good season when the freezer is full. I know there are more people out there who agreewith me about this, and we are sorry to see deer hunting turn into ablood sport.

Thank You

From:

Sisson [bsisson@abcs.com]

Sent:

Sunday, February 01, 2009 4:46 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Brad

Last Name

Sisson

Email

bsisson@abcs.com

County

Vermillion

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Please reconsider the 1 buck rule. I understand that on the surface itseems like a highly successful rule change. I disagree completely. Ibelieve that the state of IN should allow one buck to be taken witharchery and 1 buck with firearms. See my justification below...

If you want to reduce the number of bucks taken overall the solution is simple. Shorten the gun season. Period. Follow states likeIllinois, Iowa, and Kansas. They allow residents to take 2 bucks peryear and they have huge bucks and they control the population all thesame.

The current format does the following:

- Promotes buck poaching
- Is unfavorable for 2 season hunters
- Is unfavorable for archery hunters (because the extremely long gunseason is very hard on the mature bucks)
- Is bad for license sales (image the additional buck licenses thatwould be sold -Is bad for tourism (Just look at what Illinois, Iowa, and Kansas isdoing)
- Discourages young hunters to pursue their favorite big game (deerwith horns!!) in multiple seasons

I am an avid hunter and the 1 buck rule has really taken away some ofmy enjoyment of the sport. I would really appreciate your consideration.

Thanks,

Brad Sisson

From:

Scott [mtscott@ci.auburn.in.us]

Sent:

Tuesday, February 03, 2009 9:02 AM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Mike

Last Name

Scott

Email

mtscott@ci.auburn.in.us

County

Steuben

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Bring back the 2 bucks per year rule too many guys are waiting for monster bucks, and not helping to thin down the deer herd by doing so!! Also extend the fire arm or muzzy season another week would help to reduce herd, weather and not able to get into the woods as much has cut hunting time, give guys more time to hunt. Thanks Mike Scott

From:

Nicpon [thebiggame1@hotmail.com] Monday, February 09, 2009 2:33 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Tony

Last Name

Nicpon

Email

thebiggame1@hotmail.com

County

Jasper

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Do away with the "one buck" rule on state owned FWA's. The resultsshow that the quality of the bucks harvested on these properties whenweighed and aged once "checked in" has not improved. Most "firearmseason hunters" are still taking "any legal buck" regardless of size. Intead, require a legal buck to be 4 points per side for the firearmseason. Another alternative would be to only allow bucks to beharvested on alternate years (during firearm season) on FWA properties, yet still allowing the one buck total per year rule to remain ineffect yearly for archery and late season muzzleloader hunting. Thereare enough opportunities statewide for the hunters who chose to onlyhunt the firearm season to harvest does. elsewhere.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/OTHER

Michaels, Debbie					1.
From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:	Olesh [oleshjoe@yahoo.c Monday, March 30, 2009 NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDM	1:25 PM	N FORMHunting, Tra	pping or Taking Ma	mmals
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Last Name Olesh		•			
County Porter					
State of Residence IN					
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From:

Cloud [drc3815@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Saturday, January 24, 2009 4:24 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

blank

First Name

David (Ryan)

Last Name

Cloud

County

Rush

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I really dont know how to word this but this last firearm season, Iwas given a warning for hunting near bait for deer that I didnt knowwas there. I understand the rules of baiting and I abide by and support those rules. I would like to suggest that your name NOT beheld on record in those cases. If it happens again , then what? Am Igoing to jail or possibly fined for someone else's actions? Ive beenhunting all my life and I know the odds arent in my favor for that situation again, but who knows what someone else is doing. In closing I just dont think its fair to a person who follows the rules and has to take the fall for someone else who is not following the rules. Thank you D. Ryan Cloud

From:

Davis [dumbluck5@aol.com]

Sent:

Sunday, January 25, 2009 6:25 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Michael

Last Name Davis

County VIGO

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I SUGGEST IF A PERSON TURNS A DEER TO A SLAUGHTER HOUSE AND IT'S TOBE USED FOR THE FOOD BANKS THAT THE SLAUGHTER HOUSE SHOULD BE ABLE TOISSUE ANOTHER TAG FOR FREE IF THE HUNTER WANTS TO TAKE ANOTHER DEER. ISEE NO REASON TO PAY FOR A TAG, GIVE THE DEER AWAY TO HELP THE NEEDYTHEN HAVE TO PAY FOR ANOTHER TAG TO GET A DEER FOR YOURSELF. I FEELTHIS WOULD HELP REDUCE THE DEER POPULATION, HELP FEED THE POOR AND ENDPUTTING MORE FINANCIAL BURDEN ON THE HUNTER.

From:

fassett [glf4251951@comcast.net] Sunday, January 25, 2009 1:04 PM

Sent: To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals
Deer

First Name greg

Last Name fassett

County

State of Residence

Suggestions

With the over population of Doe's I believe the bonus permits forDoe's should be less cost restrictive. I agree with a limit on thenumber of bouns does you can take per county, but the cost has becomemore restrictive. I encounter fewer and fewer hunters, I hear fewerand fewer shots on opening day of gun season, it's not because there are less deer in our state, but because there are fewer huntersactually out engaged in the hunting process. Make it easier and giventhe current economic conditions, make it easier and more costeffective for the hunter to hunt.

From: Sent: Foor [Keith.D.Foor@Rolls-Royce.com] Tuesday, January 27, 2009 9:01 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Keith

Last Name Foor

County Marion

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Last year, the state prohibited ground blinds at state park reductionhunts. I am in favor of this rule change and would like to see thestate expand on this ruling to deer hunting in general during thefirearm season. Manufactured ground blinds should be allowed in theprocess of hunting deer. I would like to suggest that the statemendate that manufactured ground blinds be required to have hunterorange visible from the outside so that it is visible from 360 degreesduring the firearms season. I see this as a safety issue. It doesnot make much sense to require hunter orange for the hunter only tohave them conceal themselves in a manufactured ground blind. Havinghunted for many years, I can attest to not knowing that a ground blindwas in the vicinity while hunting due to concealment of the hunter.

From:

Newlin [davidnewlin@att.net]

Sent:

Thursday, January 29, 2009 8:22 PM

To: Subject: **NRCFWRulesProject**

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name David

Last Name Newlin

Email davidnewlin@att.net

County Brown

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Why is hunting by a feeder illegal while hunting over a food plot islegal? Both are put out by man.

From:

NEEDHAM [NEEDHAMSRULE@SBCGLOBAL.NET]

Sent:

Thursday, January 29, 2009 11:52 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name EARNEST

Last Name NEEDHAM

Email NEEDHAMSRULE@SBCGLOBAL.NET

County MARION

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Please consider;

- 1...making odd numbered years = 1 buck, with any tag, per year.
- 2...Even numbered years = 1 buck with archery tag And 1 buck with some type of firearm.

Thank You

From:

Brewer [dansam@localnet.com]

Sent:

Saturday, January 31, 2009 5:39 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Bill

Last Name

Brewer

Email

dansam@localnet.com

County

Fountain

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I personally don't need too, but I feel that baiting of Deer mightgive young and inexperienced hunters the ability to look at a buck alittle longer and decide whether or not it is mature or a management buck. The same holds true with mature Does. If you want more Deerkilled to control population, what's the difference if you hunt close to a mineral block or shelled corn or bean field?

From:

Limcaco [mattlimcaco@aol.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, February 04, 2009 7:37 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Matthew

Last Name

Limcaco

Email

mattlimcaco@aol.com

County

Vigo

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Decrease the bonus County antlerless permits for Vigo County (andothers). It should be reduced from Eight to Four.

From:

sprinkle [lebrianesprink@psci.net] Tuesday, February 10, 2009 7:54 PM

Sent:

To:

NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT ***************

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Fox, Coyote, Skunk

First Name

brian

Last Name sprinkle

Email

lebrianesprink@psci.net

County

perry

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Tree stand removal date:

I would like DNR to consider changing the required date of treestandremoval from deer season ending date to furbearer (coyote, fox, etc.)season ending date. This would apply to DNR controlled property. ThankYou, Brian E. Sprinkle

From:

cleary [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Monday, March 02, 2009 4:09 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

james

Last Name

cleary

County

dearborn

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I deer hunt by myself. I am73 years old. I kill 4 to 5 a year. my problemn is I need help gettingthe deer out of the field, and finding help in a timely manner is hardto do. If quartering up the deer were legal, I could pack it out myselfin several trips. In order to identify the sex, one quarter would have to have either male sex organs attached or the female udder also thehead would have to accompany the quarters. I am sure a lot of us oldhunters would like to see this legal.

Thank you,

jcleary@fuse.net

From:

Eggen [joneggen@gmail.com]

Sent:

Monday, March 16, 2009 12:27 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Guinnup, Jacob

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Jon

Last Name

Eggen

Email

joneggen@gmail.com

County

Hendricks

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

The current deer hunting rules state that it is illegal to use aninfrared sensor to locate deer. Since many deer hunters use trailcameras to locate trophy bucks they are technically violating the lawsince these cameras all operate through the use of a infrared sensor to detect the deer in order to take the picture. Please change thelanguage to make it clear that these are legal or illegal.

F	rom:	

Jalovecky [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Thursday, January 22, 2009 7:51 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Jay

Last Name

Jalovecky

County

Laporte

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

make bating legeal on private lands. so new hunters can also have achance to make a good and safe shot on deer. other states allow bating with no problems.

Deer drives are legal in IN. But not safe for other hunters, and noone can make a good shot on a running deer.

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From:

Bruner [rebruner@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 11:21 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Rodney

Last Name

Bruner

Email

rebruner@yahoo.com

County

jackson

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

permit use of 4 wheelers on public hunting areas for retrieval only ofdeer. Dragging a deer 1/2 mile is no fun. Also, talked to anotherhunter and with a cart, and a helper took him 6 hours to get a kill to the road. 4 wheelers would have to stay only on old logging roads, not to be ridden all over. This would help open up some of the more remote areas for hunting. Let's face it, how many people are willing to drag a deer as noted above? The price of leasing land is not for the average wage earner this day and time, thus there is a need to make the public lands more user friendly.

From:

RICHMOND [NEIL67282@VERIZON.NET]

Sent:

Monday, January 26, 2009 9:13 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name NEIL

Last Name RICHMOND

County ELKHART

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE FEEDING OF DEER BANNED. THERE IS LOCAL DEERFEEDING IN WAKARUSA, INDIANA THAT AFFECTS THE LOCAL HUNTERS AND THEDEER HEALTH. MICHIGAN JUST PASSED THE LAW AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEEINDIANA FOLLOW. WHEN YOU HUNT IN AN AREA WHERE SOMEONE FEEDS DEERYEAR ROUND IT AFFECTS THE NUMBER YOU SEE. THIS CERTAIN DEER FEEDERHUNTS ON THE LAND HE FEEDS. I AM SURE HE STAYS THE REQUIRED NUMBER OFFEET FROM FEEDING STATION, BUT THAT IS NOT HUNTING. I WILL QUIT OFTENGO BY HIS HOUSE AND SEE 30-100 DEER AT ANY GIVEN TIME. NOT TO MENTIONIT IS BY THE ROAD AND CAUSES PEOPLE TO BE VERY CAUTIOUS GOING BY. MYMAIN CONCERNS ARE THE HEALTH OF THE HERD AND THE LOCAL HUNTERSSIGHTINGS ARE WAY DOWN.

From: Sent: Redd [redddog70@hotmail.com] Friday, January 23, 2009 8:41 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Jason

Last Name Redd

County Shelby

State of Residence IN .

Suggestions

Allow doe's to be taken on State property in Sullivan County. I'vehunted Minni and Green Sullivan because I have property there. Typicalhunting year there is you see 100's of does vs mature bucks. The last4 days of season, the deer are so spooked you usually don't seesignificant deer anyway!

From: Sent:

Smith [witherstick@earthlink.net]
Thursday, January 22, 2009 10:43 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Kirk

Last Name Smith

Email witherstick@earthlink.net

County Hamilton

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

While many are asking for the DNR to make it even easier for them totake deer, most long time and devoted hunters should ask for more stringent rules!

My experience has been that with the proliferation of bonus permitsand the liberal use of every new technical advance to make up forone's lack of skill, more and more people run to the woods and harvesta young deer or two and then quit hunting. They have put litle effortinto the pursuit and likewise feel little drawn to it.

Therefore, I suggest that bonus permits never be allowed on publicland. I'm sorry. But, you can ask anyone who has to hunt on publicland. It is a shooting gallery for the novice hunters and those withno place to hunt. The deer on IN public land are young and not veryplentiful. It is an awful hunting experience that doesn't keep peoplehunting nor encourage them to continue!

In fact, I think that it would be best for hunting's future if all public land was under one set of very stringent rules!!! It is time toend the use of anterless permits and limit the technology on fireamrsand compounds.

From:

Tindall [hntrjack@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Thursday, January 22, 2009 12:38 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Jack

Last Name Tindall

Email hntrjack@yahoo.com

County Marion

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

Manage the deer herd like the states of Illinois and Iowa. They areknown to have world class whitetails and are able to keep theirmanagement and trophy goals achieved every year.

The single buck rule is a step in the right direction but more needs to be done.

Non-resident gun tags should be on a draw.

Non-resident archery tags should be capped.

The gun season should be moved later in the year and reduced to two 3day seasons. Then allow a longer muzzleloader season and or antlerlessseason to reach antlerless harvest goals.

From:

Kerr [kevinke@othy.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:06 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Kevin

Last Name

Kerr

County

Whitley

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Clarify to all the residents why Canned hunting was not addopted in Indiana (thank You) but why there are still allowing this to bedone. Can they or can't hey????. Kevin Kerr

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From: Preflatish [preflat@psci.net] Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:06 PM To: NRCFWRUlesProject Cc: Guinnup, Jacob Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Ta Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer First Name Steve Last Name Preflatish County Perry City State of Residence IN Suggestions T third that the Dark but to D	
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I think that the Deer hunting Bow season be changed to 'Primitivehunting'. Along with bows, primitive (such as flintlocks andatlatls be allowed to be used. These weapons have the same range, etc. as a bow DEFINITELY not to include in-linemuzzleloaders, as presently they have ballistics similar to smokeless.	. This is
This is merely to 'level the playing field' for those of us who useflintlock weapons exclusively.	
This could produce additional revenue if a separate 'primitive'license is needed.	

Thanks for considering this.

From:

Becraft [afssadmin@ai.org]

Sent:

Saturday, January 17, 2009 4:59 AM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMblank

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First Name Richard

Last Name Becraft

County Lawrence

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I suggest the DNR resist the efforts of people who want to get alltheir hunting done in one weekend to restrict season to their personavailability of time off work or to introduce additional centerfireweapons in to deer seasons to pacify the incompetent. If they can'tkill a deer with a rifle, pistol, cross bow, muzzle loader, or bow andarrow they are going to be just as incompetent with what ever they cryfor next year.

From:

pugh [dpugdpugh1998@live.com]

Sent:

Saturday, January 17, 2009 4:38 AM

To: Cc: NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

dallas

Last Name

pugh

County

miami

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

i would love to see button bucks count as an antierd deer there—are to many being shot just try it—for one or two years we need to save the young bucks to make bigger bucks for the next generation to enjoy

From:

bacon [jbwhttail@aol.com]

Sent:

Friday, January 16, 2009 3:07 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject jschroeder@www.in.gov

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

joe

Last Name

bacon

County

marion

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Recently the Indiana Deer Hunters Association was notified of anIndiana resident who died in Michigan deer hunting, his family wasasking for donations as he had no savings or insurance. But that is not the gest of this request.....

He was hunting in a pop up ground blind and was shot by anotherhunter who did not see the blind, let alone know someone was inside it. With the ground blinds today as well as shooting houses on stilts should they not be required to have hunter orange on them when occupied? Deer hunters ARE still required to wear hunter orange inside of them, but with camo netting, brushing them in and just the general darkness inside we may not realize a hunter is inside. I added the shooting houses that are raised also because people may also be quailor pheasant hunting in the same area. Wing shooting can be a splitsecond decision and without the blaze orange an accident could occur. A blaze orange/hunter orange patch attached to all sides when a hunteris present would not be unreasonable in my opinion. I'm talking deernot turkey, there are far more gun deer hunters out there than turkey hunters. Orange is required in gun deer, not in turkey.

My request is for a rule requiring some reasonable size of blazeorange material attached to all sides of a blind or elevated, enclosedshooting house when a hunter is inside of it.

From:

Hoffman [nateandaimi@psci.net]

Sent:

Thursday, January 15, 2009 8:48 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Nathan

Last Name

Hoffman

Email

nateandaimi@psci.net

County

Perry

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Make every deer hunter that plans on hunting deer to call and get aHIP number like it is required for game birds. This would give the DNRan accurate number of deer hunters in the State. Information could be asked to which county a hunter plans on hunting openingweekend or primarily what county they will hunt in. This is data that could be beneficial.

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: HUNTING, TRAPPING, TAKING MAMMALS

SUB-TOPIC: DEER/MISC. LICENSE SUGGESTIONS

From:

Chandler [sctypk@yahoo.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 28, 2009 9:20 AM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals Deer

First Name Scott

Last Name Chandler

County Marion

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I believe it would help build the hunting ranks of a license type foryoung hunters that do not qualify for the youth license were created. Young people between 18 and 23 or 24 who are still in college strugglefinancially. It is a difficult time when these young people aretrying to establish independence from their parents. If acomporehensive license could be created similar to the youth licensethat would require prrof of enrollment in college it would allow thesepeople easier access to the sport we all love so much.

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From:

Carter [brendacarter@insightbb.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, February 10, 2009 8:07 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc: Subject: Guinnup, Jacob SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Larry

Last Name

Carter

Email

brendacarter@insightbb.com

County

Floyd

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

Set up a Senior Citizen license for firearms and muzzleloader at\$24.00 for 1 buck and 1 doe.

From: Sent:

Wildeman [wildemank@netnitco.net] Monday, February 23, 2009 8:49 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Cc:

Guinnup, Jacob

Subject:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name Keith

Last Name Wildeman

Email wildemank@netnitco.net

County Jasper

State of Residence IN

Suggestions

I suggest that DFW work with the insurance companies and encouragethem to offer discounts to those individuals who purchase deer huntinglicenses. The amount offered from the companies should be more thanthe cost of the current deer licenses, say \$100 +. This would be a winwin situation for both parties involved. Many people would jump at the chance to buy licenses to save money on their auto insurance, even if they don't hunt. This would increase revenues for the DFW. Some of these people may never hunt, but there would be additional revenue to support wildlife management in this state. It might also encourage some lapsed hunters to take up the sport again if they buy alicense to save some money and get the idea to hunt again because theyalready have a license. It would also be reward to all those dieharddeer hunters who buy licenses year after year to harvest more deer todecrease deer vehicle collisions. Insurance companies would benefitfrom fewer deer being hit on Hoosier roads and people's safety wouldbenefit. This would be a great alternative to HB 1585 that really willnot impact increased deer harvest. The HB even sites a deer huntersurvey where only 7% of hunters harvest more than 2 deer. If theyaren't killing the 8 deer already allowed in certain counties I doubtdoubling it to 16 will do anything.

From:

Beckman [rbeckman@cinci.rr.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 8:55 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject

Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

Rob

Last Name

Beckman

Email

rbeckman@cinci.rr.com

County

Hamilton

State of Residence

OH

Suggestions

I would like to see Indiana's hunting licenses be setup similar toother states around it.

I.e. Ohio and Kentucky you purchase a hunting license for small game. Then you purchase tags for turkey and deer to go with the huntinglicense.

This would give hunters the ability to hunt small game while also being able to choose to hunt big game.

Currently licensing deters hunters, especially out of state hunters, from pursuing small game because they have spent so much on the biggame licenses.

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Sent:

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:35 PM

To:

NRCFWRulesProject Guinnup, Jacob

Cc: Subject:

SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMHunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Follow Up Flag:

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Hunting, Trapping or Taking Mammals

Deer

First Name

steve

Last Name

petho

County

lake

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I am legally disabled. I hunt deer and need help to hunt. indiana doesnot have any programs to help disabled deer hunters. I am fortunate tolive close to illinois. they have a great disabled deer huntingoppurtunities for the disabled. I am very lucky to be able toparticipate in there special hunts. the down side to that is I as anonresident must pay 300.00 dollars for a deer tag. please contact meif you can. I will explain there hunting programs. the state of indiana is years behind on disabled hunting programs. the satisfactionand rewards would be great for not only us disabled hunters but alsofor the state of indiana and all the volunteers. please call me Iwould be willing to talk to anyone to start a disabled hunting programin indiana thank you steve petho phone 1-219-742-1523

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SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMSpecial Permits and Licenses

Special Permits and Licenses

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Suggestions

I would like to see that all veterans of military service recieve afree lifetime hunting and fishing lisence

From: Sent: Messer [halfcherokee@verizon.net] Thursday, February 19, 2009 9:01 PM

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COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

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Suggestions

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